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No. 36 Annual Report of the Public Service Superannuation Board, Ontario, for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1943. Presented to the Legislature, March 10th, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 37 Report of the Civil Service Commissioner for the year ending December 31st, 1943. Presented to the Legislature, April 4th, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 41 Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario relating to differences in the cost of Power supplied Municipalities and Rural Power Districts in Ontario. Presented to the Legislature, March 7th, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 42 Report of the Ontario Historical Society for the year 1942-43. Presented to the Legislature, March 10th, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 43 Order-in-Council made pursuant to the Ontario Insurance Act. Presented to the Legislature, March 10th, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 44 Order-in-Council under The Guarantee Companies' Securities Act. Presented to the Legislature, March 10th, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 45 Copies of Orders-in-Council, 1943-1944, pertaining to the Department of Education. Presented to the Legislature, March 10th, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 46 Report of the Joint Study Committee regarding a survey of Hospital Bed Accommodation. Presented to the Legislature, March 17th, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 47 Interim reports of the Ontario Mining Commission on "Regulations Governing the Financing of Mining Developments", "The Necessity for and the Methods of Stimulating Prospecting in Ontario" and "The Haileybury School of Mines". Presented to the Legislature, March 22nd, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 48 Report by the Fuel Commission of Ontario regarding the Onakawana Lignite Deposit. Presented to the Legislature, March 23rd, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 49 Report by the Commission for the Investigation of Cancer Remedies on the presentation to the Board by Dr. T. J. Glover. Presented to the Legislature, March 30th, 1944. *Not Printed.*

No. 50 Report of the Niagara Parks Commission for the year ending March 31st, 1943. Presented to the Legislature, April 6th, 1944. *Printed.*

RETURNS ORDERED BUT NOT BROUGHT DOWN

1. Showing: 1. What is the total amount of fire insurance premiums paid each year on all Government property in Ontario, and the amount of fire losses recovered each year during the past 40 years. 2. What ratio do losses recovered bear to premiums paid. 3. What is the number of Provincial Government buildings upon which fire insurance is carried. 4. What are the names of the fire insurance companies participating in the present fire insurance Schedule. 5. What amount of insurance is placed with each. 6. What are the names and addresses of agencies through whom this insurance is placed. 7. What amount of insurance is placed with each.

2. Showing, in each Department of Government: 1. The number of employees who have received salary increases in the following, or similar salary brackets, since March 31st, 1943: (*a*) Employees formerly receiving under $1,000 per year; (*b*) Employees receiving from $1,000 to $2,000; (*c*) Employees receiving from $2,000 to $3,000; (*d*) Employees receiving from $3,000 to $4,000; (*e*) Employees receiving from $4,000 to $5,000; (*f*) Employees receiving over $5,000 per year. 2. The total number of employees in each of the above salary brackets.

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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND, 1944

PROCLAMATION

ALBERT MATTHEWS

CANADA

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

GEORGE THE SIXTH, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, KING, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

To Our Faithful, the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our Province of Ontario, and to every of you—GREETING.

L. E. BLACKWELL, *Attorney-General.* { WHEREAS it is expedient for certain causes and considerations to convene the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, WE DO WILL that you and each of you and all others in this behalf interested, on TUESDAY, the Twenty-second day of February now next, at OUR CITY OF TORONTO, personally be and appear for the Despatch of Business, to treat, act, do and conclude upon those things which, in Our Legislature of the Province of Ontario, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favour of God be ordained. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF We have caused these Our Letters to be

made Patent and the GREAT SEAL of Our Province of Ontario to be hereunto affixed.

WITNESS:

THE HONOURABLE ALBERT MATTHEWS, LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR OF OUR PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

At Our City of Toronto in Our said Province, this thirteenth day of January, in the year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty-four and in the Eighth year of Our Reign.

BY COMMAND,

C. F. BULMER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

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3 O'CLOCK P.M.

This being the First Day of the First Meeting of the Twenty-first Legislature of the Province of Ontario for the Despatch of Business, pursuant to a Proclamation of The Honourable Albert Matthews, Lieutenant-Governor—Alexander Cameron Lewis, Esquire, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly, laid upon the Table of the House a Roll hereinafter fully set out containing a list of the names of the Members who had been returned at the General Elections to serve in this Legislature; and having been authorized to administer the Oaths to the Members, did administer the Oaths to the Members present; who after having taken the Oath and subscribed the Roll, took their seats in the House.

TWENTY-FIRST GENERAL ELECTION

Office of the Clerk of the
Crown in Chancery, Ontario,
Toronto, February 21st, 1944.

This is to certify that by reason of the Dissolution of the last Legislature on Wednesday, the Thirtieth day of June, A.D. 1943, and in virtue of Writs of Elections, dated on the thirtieth day of June, A.D. 1943, issued by The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to the hereinafter named persons as returning officers for all the Electoral Districts in the Province of Ontario, for the election of Members to represent the several Electoral Districts in the Legislature of the Province in the Parliament convened to meet on the Twenty-second day of February, A.D. 1944, the following named persons have been gazetted as duly elected to represent the Electoral Districts set opposite their respective names, as appears by the Returns of the said Writs, deposited of Record in my office, namely:

Electoral District of	Member Elect	Returning Officer
Addington	John Abbott Pringle	Wilson P. Franklin
Algoma-Manitoulin	Wilfred Lynn Miller	F. A. Clement
Brant	Harry Corwin Nixon	James L. McCormack
Brantford	Charles Strange	Richard O. H. Frost
Bruce	Thomas Neil Duff	Robert Sloan
Carleton	Adam Holland Acres	J. M. Hoey
Cochrane North	John J. Kehoe	John D. Mackay
Cochrane South	William John Grummett	D. M. Johnson
Dufferin-Simcoe	Alfred Wallace Downer	J. P. Dunlop
Durham	R. P. Vivian	M. H. Staples
Elgin	Mitchell F. Hepburn	F. R. Palmer
Essex North	Arthur Nelson Alles	Alfred Quenneville
Essex South	William Murdoch	Charles W. Huffman
Fort William	Garfield Anderson	E. P. Kelly
Glengarry	Edmund A. MacGillivray	Donald J. Macdonell
Grenville-Dundas	George H. Challies	Miles Marcellus
Grey North	Roland Patterson	Herman S. Weaver
Grey South	Farquhar R. Oliver	D. J. MacDonald
*Haldimand-Norfolk	Wallace W. Walsh	John Pratt
Halton	Stanley L. Hall	Peter W. Cooke
Hamilton East	Herbert Connor	Jack Beemer
Hamilton Centre	Robert Desmond Thornberry	Frank Dillon
Hamilton-Wentworth	Frederick Wilson Warren	Harry C. Clarke
Hastings East	Roscoe Robson	Robert Woods
Hastings West	Richard D. Arnott	Morley B. Sine
Huron	R. Hobbs Taylor	J. M. Southcott
Huron-Bruce	John W. Hanna	J. A. Johnston
Kenora	William M. Docker	John Robinson
Kent East	Wesley Gardiner Thompson	Stanley Fraser
Kent West	Arthur St. Clair Gordon	James W. Harrington
Kingston	Harry Allan Stewart	H. F. Mooers
Lambton East	Robert Roy Downie	William J. Davis
Lambton West	Harry Steel	Homer Lockhart
Lanark	George Henry Doucett	George W. Buchanan
Leeds	Walter Bain Reynolds	Joseph F. Keyes
Lincoln	Charles Daley	A. E. Coombs
London	William Gourlay Webster	C. J. F. Ross
Middlesex North	Thomas L. Patrick	John A. Morrison
Middlesex South	Dan McIntyre	Angus McGeachey
Muskoka-Ontario	J. Frank Kelly	Norman Alexander
Niagara Falls	Cyril A. G. Overall	Robert W. Andrews
Nipissing	Arthur A. Casselman	W. M. Flannery
Northumberland	William A. Goodfellow	Thomas F. Hall
Ontario	Arthur Williams	G. M. Goodfellow
Ottawa East	Robert Laurier	Thomas Charlebois
Ottawa South	George Dunbar	A. W. Grant
Oxford	Tom Dent	Cecil W. Ottewell
Parry Sound	Elmer Roy Smith	W. R. Dixon
Peel	Thomas L. Kennedy	Alex McFarlane
Perth	W. Angus Dickson	W. R. Pratt

Electoral District of	Member Elect	Returning Officer
Peterborough	Harold Robinson Scott	Arthur J. McClellan
Port Arthur	Frederick Oliver Robinson	Wallace A. McComber
Prescott	Aurelien Belanger	Omer Laurin
Prince Edward-Lennox	James deCongalton Hepburn	T. G. Kavanagh
Rainy River	George Edward Lockhart	Norman L. Croome
Renfrew North	Stanley J. Hunt	C. E. Gallagher
Renfrew South	Thomas Patrick Murray	Milton Stewart
Russell	Romeo Begin	J. A. Casault
Stormont	John Lawrence McDonald	Willis O. Sheets
Sault Ste. Marie	George Harvey	George L. Allan
Simcoe Centre	George Graham Johnston	Lorne A. Hartman
Simcoe East	John Duncan McPhee	C. M. Robinson
Sudbury	Robert H. Carlin	T. M. Mulligan
Temiskaming	Calvin Howard Taylor	Chas. A. Byam
Victoria	Leslie M. Frost	C. E. Williams
Waterloo North	John Henry Cook	John E. Wagner
Waterloo South	L. Grieve Robinson	Howard W. Hostetler
Welland	Howard E. Brown	F. H. Clark
Wellington North	Ross A. McEwing	J. G. A. McEwen
Wellington South	Leslie Hancock	J. W. Oakes
Wentworth	William Robertson	Robert E. Young
Windsor-Walkerville	William C. Riggs	A. C. Lorimer
Windsor-Sandwich	George Bennett	Alan C. Bell
York East	Agnes MacPhail	Zetta Howe
York North	George H. Mitchell	Victor A. Hall
York South	Edward B. Jolliffe	Fred T. McDermott
York West	Charles H. Millard	Chas. E. Ring
Toronto:		
Beaches	Thomas A. Murphy	E. T. Hurd
Bellwoods	Alexander Albert McLeod	Harry Lewis
Bracondale	Rae Luckock	John B. Cooper
Dovercourt	William Duckworth	Garnet A. Archibald
Eglinton	Leslie Egerton Blackwell	Norman Jones
High Park	George Alexander Drew	James H. Talbot
Parkdale	William J. Stewart	Leo E. Travers
Riverdale	Leslie E. Wismer	Jos. J. Carroll
St. Andrew	Joseph B. Salsberg	Harrison M. Lehrer
St. David	William Dennison	Wendell H. Osborne
St. George	Dana Porter	E. T. Morrow
St. Patrick	A. Kelso Roberts	D. F. Downey
Woodbine	Bertram E. Leavens	James Scott

*Departed this life on February 9th, 1944.

C. F. BULMER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

And the House having met,

The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor, having entered the House, took his seat on the Throne.

Mr. Dunbar, the Provincial Secretary, then said:

"I am commanded by The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor to state that he does not see fit to declare the causes of the summoning of the present Legislature of this Province until a Speaker of this House shall have been chosen according to law, but to-day at a subsequent hour His Honour will declare the causes of the calling of this Legislature."

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

And the Clerk having called for nominations for the office of Speaker, the Prime Minister, Mr. Drew, addressing himself to the Clerk, proposed to the House for their Speaker, W. J. Stewart, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Parkdale, which motion was seconded by Mr. Nixon, and it was

Resolved, That W. J. Stewart, Esquire, do take the Chair of this House as Speaker.

The Clerk having declared the Honourable W. J. Stewart duly elected, he was conducted by the Premier and Mr. Nixon to the Chair, where, standing on the upper step, he returned his humble acknowledgements to the House for the great honour they had been pleased to confer upon him by choosing him to be their Speaker.

And thereupon he sat down in the Chair and the Mace was laid upon the Table.

The House then adjourned during pleasure.

The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor then re-entered the House and took his seat on the Throne.

Mr. Speaker then addressed His Honour to the following effect:

May it please Your Honour.

The Legislative Assembly have elected me as their Speaker, though I am but little able to fulfil the important duties thus assigned to me.

If, in the performance of those duties, I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault may be imputed to me and not to the Assembly whose servant I am, and who, through me, the better to enable them to discharge their duty to their King and Country, hereby claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates,

access to your person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from you the most favourable consideration.

The Provincial Secretary then said:

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the Assembly to His Majesty's person and Government, and not doubting that the proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temperance and prudence, he grants and upon all occasions will recognize and allow the constitutional privileges.

I am commanded also to assure you that the Assembly shall have ready access to His Honour upon all suitable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions, will constantly receive from him the most favourable construction.

The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to open the Session with the following gracious speech:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

As you meet to-day to inaugurate the Twenty-first Legislature of the Province of Ontario, I wish to extend a welcome to all those who have served before in this Chamber and to those of you who now meet here for the first time.

We are now half way into the fifth year of war, and from all battlefronts come encouraging reports which justify confidence in victory. But the military leaders of the United Nations have seen fit to utter repeated warnings that the road to victory will still be long and hard. While the first concern must be the winning of the war, my Ministers believe that the Province should be prepared for the readjustments which will come when peace returns. With this thought in mind, legislation will be presented to you which will create a new Department of Planning and Development. It will be the purpose of this department to prepare plans in all fields of provincial responsibility so that the development of our great resources and the stimulation of production will provide employment for our people. It will be one of the functions of this department to develop town and country planning, to prepare housing programmes, to assist in the conversion of war industries to peace production, to co-ordinate the planning activities of Ontario municipalities, and also the post-war plans of the various provincial departments. It will also guide the preparation of plans for great construction projects, land reclamation, and the opening of new territory. In this way preparation will be made for the rehabilitation of young men and women now serving so gallantly in the Armed Forces of Canada.

As soon as trading between nations returns to a normal basis, it will be necessary to seek commercial and trade expansion in many countries. The most important market for Ontario products is Britain, and my Ministers decided that it was desirable to open offices in London to take full advantage of every

opportunity to find new outlets for the things that we produce. It was also thought desirable to take steps to arouse interest on the part of British manufacturers in the possibilities for establishing branch plants or new industrial enterprises in Ontario. Already there is gratifying evidence that as a result of these efforts we may expect many British manufacturers to start work here with a resulting increase in the opportunities for employment. When Ontario House is in full operation in the near future, it will provide many facilities for the members of the Canadian Armed Forces from Ontario, assisting them in many ways and providing needed recreational accommodation. During the period of demobilization, it will be able to offer advice and assistance to those who will be returning to Ontario.

Education assumes an ever more important part in the life of our people. Many greatly needed reforms will receive attention. Already there has been a reorganization of the Department of Education, which has brought new vigour to the direction of education, and has assured a better balance between the purely educational and financial affairs of that department.

The most difficult single educational problem requiring solution is the unsatisfactory system of financing the maintenance of the schools of the Province. Intensive study has been given to this subject, and the results of the inquiries which have been made will be reported to the Legislature where the subject will be fully discussed.

The standard of education cannot rise above the qualifications of the teachers in our schools. There is at present an acute shortage of competent teachers as a result of the war. To meet this immediate emergency courses will be modified so that additional teachers may be trained with the least possible delay. To assure permanent improvement in this situation, however, a much larger proportion of the best trained young men and women must be attracted to the teaching profession. Steps will be taken therefore to raise the minimum salary of teachers, to assure greater security and prestige, to provide better conditions of service and to place the Teacher's Superannuation Fund upon a sound basis.

Increasing emphasis will be placed upon the importance of the development of character. Religious education will be offered in public and secondary schools. Cadet training, under school control, will become a part of the regular programmes. Physical and health education will be extended. The duties of citizenship and significance of Canadian institutions will be given a more important place in the school curriculum. Schools will be encouraged to establish types of internal organization calculated to develop a co-operative spirit and the habit of assuming responsibilities.

Everything possible will be done to assure that every child in Ontario is educated to the full extent of his individual capacity. This means that vocational education and the means of cultural development must be extended to many areas in which they are not now found. It also means that advanced vocational education must be provided for able pupils who have finished the ordinary school course but do not seek to enter the professional schools of the Universities. It means that the Department of Education must assume the responsibility for providing either alone or in partnership with other agencies, a wide range of adult education. The Provincial Scholarship Plan will be ex-

tended, not only to care for a larger number of very able high school graduates, but also to enable those who have entered the Universities on these scholarships and have done well during their first year to continue their courses.

The Government's desire to do full justice to the individual ability of each child will be apparent at every stage of education. Greater incentives will be offered to encourage the formation of school areas large enough to provide and enrich elementary programmes and diversified secondary schooling. More constructive supervision will be provided, with special attention to guidance and the expanding fields of instructional opportunities afforded by the radio, gramophone, sound film, and other visual aids. The aims of the various types of schools will be clarified and their courses adjusted in the light of those aims.

The unique contribution of our Universities to Canada's war effort is fully recognized, as well as the necessity of enabling them to give increasing leadership in research, professional training and cultural development. Provision has been made to assist the Universities to meet the challenge of the period of rehabilitation and post-war developments.

The education of New Canadians is of vital concern to all our people. A strong committee will be appointed to advise the Government in planning an effective programme for those among this group of citizens who require special education to gain the full advantage of their Canadian citizenship.

Leadership in the organization and control of agriculture has in the past depended too much upon the Government. My Ministers have decided to introduce legislation which will correct this situation by forming County Agricultural Committees so that practical farm operators may themselves advise in regard to suitable policies and have a recognized place in the administration of those policies.

In the end, the satisfactory marketing of products is the test of the success of agriculture. Steps will be taken to assure better marketing methods. To improve the marketing of livestock, legislation will be introduced for the purpose of acquiring the Union Stock Yards in West Toronto so that they may be operated as a public enterprise in the sole interest of the breeders of the province.

Buildings belonging to the Ontario Agricultural College and the Kemptville School were loaned to the Dominion Government as part of the war training programme. This has to some degree curtailed agricultural education and I am pleased to be able to inform you that as a result of the changes in training requirements, the buildings will soon be returned to their normal use. Those at Kemptville will be made available on May 1st, and those at Guelph at the earliest possible opportunity.

Crop prospects for the coming year are better than last year when adverse spring weather delayed seeding and resulted in the shortest grain crop for many years. The importation of 55,000,000 bushels of grain from Western Canada helped to meet this situation and Ontario farmers were able to carry through the winter a larger number of cattle and considerably more poultry than in previous years. Although fewer hogs will be marketed, production of bacon for overseas will be well maintained.

The Agricultural Commission of Inquiry, appointed several months ago, has been engaged in a careful survey of the general requirements of agriculture within the province and they will from time to time make recommendations to the Government regarding measures which can be adopted for the improvement of all branches of agriculture throughout Ontario.

The Minister of Labour will submit several measures for the improvement of labour relations and the general working conditions throughout the Province. One of these is a bill which will limit the hours of work to forty-eight hours a week and assure an annual holiday of one week with pay to commercial and industrial employees. Extensive amendments to the Factory, Shop and Office Building Act will greatly extend provisions for the safety, health and welfare of employees, and reduce the hours of employment for youths, young girls and women. Supervision of the conditions of employment for young people in certain places other than factories will provide an additional check on child labour and juvenile delinquency. The Workmen's Compensation Act will be broadened to afford protection to those suffering from various types of industrial diseases. The field of occupations covered by the provisions of this Act will be widened.

The Department of Labour has been co-operating actively with the Dominion Labour authorities in plans to provide training opportunities for the members of our Armed Forces upon demobilization.

A few days ago the Dominion Government adopted a National Labour Relations Code limited in its application to war industries. This Code will supersede any Provincial legislation dealing with the subjects covered in this Code so far as war industries are concerned, and my Ministers are of the opinion that it will be in the best interests of employees, employers and the general public if this Code is extended in its effect to all industries within Ontario. Legislation will therefore be presented to you which will give effect to this decision.

Legislation will be introduced to afford legal protection to members of the Armed Forces from Ontario who are on active service, where such service renders it impossible for them to meet their financial obligations properly and reasonably incurred prior to joining the Armed Forces. Legislation will also be introduced establishing priority of appointment to the public service for men and women who have served in the active service units of the Armed Forces of Canada, and assuring them protection in their employment.

Steps have been taken to protect the person and property of our people by stopping certain practices which permitted the imposition of fines and penalties without proper access to the Courts. An example of this was the stopping of the practice of padlocking gasoline stations without the operators being given any opportunity to prove their innocence. Another example of steps taken to protect the rights of the citizens of the Province was the restoration of inquests in war industries as exemplified by the reopening of the inquest into the Nobel disaster. As a result of representations by the Attorney-General, blackouts were discontinued in Ontario, having regard to the greatly reduced possibility of air raids and the unnecessary expense and inconvenience under those circumstances which they caused. The Dominion Government subsequently disbanded the A.R.P. organization. Another readjustment which effected considerable saving to the Province was the release of the Veterans' Guard organization which had been

guarding the property of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission. This work is now being done by the Commission itself and the change was made at a time that it was possible to arrange other employment for the men thus released. The Ontario Volunteer Constabulary, established as an adjunct to the Ontario Provincial Police, has been disbanded, as it was not thought that it had any direct connections with the police functions of the Ontario Government. Every effort has been made to put an end to the improper use of slot machines and other gambling devices which are contrary to the provisions of the Criminal Code. Effective steps have been taken to protect farm workers who have been forced to do necessary harvesting on Sunday from frivolous prosecutions under the provisions of an ancient statute passed before Confederation.

In an effort to provide the minimum ration of beer for all citizens wishing to purchase this beverage, arrangements were made for the transfer of five million gallons of beer annually from hotels and clubs to the Brewers' Retail Stores. In view of the restrictions in quantity imposed by the Dominion Government, it has become increasingly difficult to assure orderly distribution, and this step was taken as the only practical measure possible to relieve the crowding which occurred at Brewers' Retail Stores. The whole question of supply and distribution is under review by the Government. It is proposed in the future to have only one permit to cover the purchase of spirits, beer and wine. Steps have also been taken to enforce the provisions of the Liquor Control Act in regard to the transfers of licenses to sell beer. Legislation will be introduced to create a licensing board with judicial functions to control the licensing of premises where alcoholic beverages can be consumed, and to provide a decentralized system for dealing with all applications for the issuance, renewal, transfer, and cancellation of licenses.

The Department of Highways has conducted extensive surveys throughout the whole Province and has completed plans for a four-year post-war programme which can be started at any time. The scope of these plans may be judged by the fact that they will involve a total of 27,840,000 man days for their completion. Current expenditures have been curtailed and the work during the coming season will consist mainly of maintenance. It is hoped, however, that some bituminous material may be available which will make it possible to resurface sections of highways which are now in need of repairs. Capital expenditure will be confined to the surfacing of roads serving military camps, airports and war industries, and to the completion of some bridges on which work has already been started. This will apply both to the King's Highways and municipal roads. The Highway Improvement Act will be amended to clarify its administration, particularly as it affects municipal roads.

Since the beginning of the present year, the Hydro-Electric Power Commission has brought into effect a comprehensive revision of the charges for rural service and had adopted a uniform rate for all areas of the Province formerly served by 120 rural power districts. The amalgamation of these 120 districts into one district with one rate marks the greatest single step forward in rural power distribution since its inauguration. Under the new schedule, Provincial grants-in-aid will be of the most benefit to farmers in sparsely settled areas where the installation of electrical service is most costly. Of a total 135,000 rural customers, 97% will benefit in varying degrees depending upon the extent of their use of electricity. The total saving to rural customers affected by this re-

adjustment will be more than half a million dollars. Some of those who fall within the small group of 3% of the total will find a slight increase in the total cost of their electricity for the present but they in turn will benefit considerably once they make full use of the electrical services which they have installed.

Legislation will be introduced to amend the Power District Service Charge Act so that the Hydro-Electric Power Commission will be protected by the Government against any loss which may result from the elimination of the service charge to farmers and the reduction of service charge to hamlet customers. During the past few months, the Commission has been able to install electric services on more than two thousand additional farms under arrangements with the Dominion Metals Controller who permitted extensions to serve farmers who were able to demonstrate that a supply of electricity would increase their food production.

With the consent of the co-operating Hydro-Electric Municipalities, the three Southern Ontario systems, namely, Georgian Bay, Niagara and Eastern Ontario, will be amalgamated into one system to be called the Southern Ontario System. The resulting economies will permit a reduction in power charges. With the consent of the municipalities, the cost of power to municipalities will be limited to a maximum of $39.00 per horse power within this system. Experience proves that reduced cost to consumers leads to greater consumption and increased revenue, and the grants-in-aid which will make this possible at the outset will in a very few years become unnecessary.

Gross capital expenditures by the Commission in 1943 were 8½ million dollars. The revenues of Northern Ontario Properties were again sufficient to provide for all expenses including full provision for reserves.

To bring about a closer association between the Hydro-Electric Power Commission and the consuming public, you will be asked to approve a bill authorizing the appointment of an Ontario Hydro-Electric Advisory Council. There will be five members of this council representative of the Hydro-Electric municipalities, labour, industry, mining and agriculture.

The Ogoki Diversion Project was completed during the summer, and the diversion flow was gradually increased to its designed average of four thousand cubic feet per second. The six-million-dollar power plant at DeCew Falls, constructed as a war measure and capable of producing more than sixty-thousand horse power, was completed and commenced delivery of 25-cycle power to the Niagara system on October 15th, 1943.

The Department of Lands and Forests has at present under its control one hundred million acres of accessible crown forests. Under well planned, long-term policies of conservation, reforestation and soil control, these areas will be capable of greatly increased production which will provide employment for many thousands of new workers. An Ontario Forest Resources Commission will be appointed to assume the responsibility for supervising this great development which has now become the largest single source of our provincial income. Steps have already been taken to impose a maximum limitation upon the size of new saw mills. From now on, the supply of timber available in any area, under proper forestry conditions, will decide the capacity of the mill to be erected. The

maximum figure of production for any single mill is fixed at fifteen million feet per year. The Kirkwood Forest Management Unit near the town of Thessalon has been set aside as an area for intensive training in the practice of forestry. Eight thousand acres of planted trees in the Kirkwood Plantation will form the nucleus of this scheme. Two new parks have been set aside for recreation, health and the protection of wild life. They are Lake Superior Provincial Park north of Sault Ste. Marie, and Sibley Provincial Park near Port Arthur. Plans for their organization and management are under way.

To aid settlers and others interested in reforestation who are eligible, the Crown now releases without charge pine trees formerly reserved in land grants. It is expected that this will benefit holders in Southern Ontario. Intensive study has been given to methods of protection for forest areas from destructive insects. Appropriate action will be taken following recommendations from the best international authorities.

The Department of Game and Fisheries is preparing an extensive programme of development, designed to maintain the fish and game reserves of the Province, which each year attract great numbers of tourists from outside the Province. These plans will provide employment for many members of the Armed Forces who prefer outdoor occupation when they return to civil life.

I wish to commend those municipalities which are setting up Reserve Funds from appropriations for construction and maintenance which have not been spent because of shortage of labour and materials. This is a wise provision for the future, making it possible for those municipalities to create employment when it will be most needed.

The Assessment Act will be amended to enable municipalities to levy an additional business assessment to compensate for the tax on incomes of corporations which has been suspended by Dominion-Provincial Agreement. Legislation will also be introduced to permit municipalities to accept a fixed sum in lieu of taxation on properties owned by Wartime Housing Limited. Ontario municipal authorities have done splendid work under the added burdens of war, and have given a useful example by making grants to the extent of more than one million dollars to assist various war organizations.

Ontario's great mining industry last year produced minerals to a value of $230,000,000.00. This industry can assume greater importance and employ more men in the future under proper guidance. With that objective, a Commission was appointed to inquire into all aspects of this basic industry and to make recommendations which would stimulate the development of existing mines and assist the search for new mines. A Commission has also been appointed to report upon the supply, availability and utilization of fuel for domestic and commercial purposes. Following the reports of these Commissions, measures will be adopted to expand this great industry so that it may offer the widest opportunities for employment when our armed forces are demobilized. Amongst the achievements of the past year, I would refer to the Steep Rock Iron Mines, west of Port Arthur, where operations for the production of iron ore on a very large scale will, according to present expectations, result in the shipment of high grade ore during the coming summer.

It is the opinion of my Ministers that a well-organized, full-time Public Health programme, embodying adequate school health service, for the entire Province, is long overdue. It is therefore planned to make it possible for local municipalities to implement Section 35 of The Public Health Act, which already provides for such service. The provision of adequate hospital care for all our citizens will require some time to fulfill, but certain immediate steps are being taken to bring this about. Committees have been set up by the Government and by the hospitals to study the problem with a view to inaugurating a new policy.

The Ontario Hospital service operates 15 hospitals for the treatment of the mentally ill, mentally defective and epileptic. Treatment of these groups is handicapped by inadequate hospital accommodation. At present 14,172 patients occupy accommodation originally planned for 11,000 persons. It is the general experience on this continent, that five beds per 1,000 of the population is required in the treatment of these groups. On this basis, Ontario requires 19,000 beds. It is hoped to remedy this situation as rapidly as materials can be made available for the purpose. As a first step, it is planned to have 300 additional beds available at the Hospital School, Orillia, within the coming year. Owing to the extent of this particular problem, the Government has decided that two other approaches should be made: namely, research and prevention. With this in mind, a Division of Psychiatric Research has been organized with a well-known British research physician in charge. In the field of prevention it is proposed to extend the Mental Health clinics to serve all parts of the Province as soon as the 57 physicians, now on loan for special work in the Armed Forces, again become available.

Through collaboration with the Director-General of Medical Services, a united front has been established to control social disease in Ontario. Plans have been made for a wide extension of public education in this field; for a careful search for unknown or hidden cases that are not receiving treatment; and for more adequate medical care for all who are so unfortunate as to contract the disease. The full co-operation of the general public, social welfare organizations, hospitals and the medical profession, is being sought to deal with this problem.

With a view to protecting the worker in industry, industrial employers have been encouraged to develop health services in the individual factory. There are now employed in this work in the Province 52 full-time physicians, 162 part-time physicians, and 464 full-time graduate nurses. Over 50,000 employees in industry have received chest x-ray examinations in the past twelve months, and those found suffering from tuberculosis have been placed under treatment. The six travelling chest clinics operated by the Department have examined 15,593 persons, finding 421 new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis, which were placed under treatment. Extension of this service, together with additional sanatoria accommodation, as planned by the Government, should go far in reducing the incidence of tuberculosis in the Province.

The control of sanitation continues to accomplish results in the prevention of disease. Typhoid fever cases in the last year were the lowest on record. Extensive plans are being made for post-war construction of municipal water and sewage works. Notwithstanding the usual history of rapid spread of communicable diseases under war conditions, there has been a marked reduction in the major communicable diseases. Maternal and infant mortality rates in the Province

have continued to fall to new low levels, a vivid demonstration that public health education gives quick and valuable results.

The Department of Public Welfare is being reorganized. Extensive studies have been made of the various allowances now provided by this Department. They have established a scientific basis for determining food requirements, and the inclusion of items not previously recognized.

It is worthy of comment that many employable pensioners have voluntarily requested suspension of their pension until their employment is terminated. Increased opportunities for employment have resulted in a considerable decrease in the number of those receiving Mothers' Allowances. For those mothers who continue to require this allowance, arrangements are being made to increase still further the amount of assistance where this is needed. A War Appropriation Bonus of $5.00 per month, and a Provincial Bonus of $3.00 per month, have been added to the former maximum Old Age Pension. A general increase in Child Welfare activities calls for continuing expansion of Children's Aid services. The conditions of war-time employment have called for the extension of Day Nurseries to six communities in the Province.

The Ontario Civil Service will be assured of greatly improved conditions of employment, under a sound civil service system. The first step has already been taken to establish a system of appointment by merit through the application of uniform tests in certain classes of appointments. The entire classification of the Civil Service is under review and a new procedure for dealing with questions arising in connection with the Civil Service will be instituted.

In addition to legislation already mentioned, bills will be introduced to amend The Active Service Election Act; to provide for the registration, publication and codification of regulations passed under Provincial statutes; to extend the provisions of the Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act; to amend the laws governing the sale of securities; respecting gambling devices; respecting racial discrimination; respecting Justices of the Peace; and for various other purposes.

The public accounts for the year ending March 31st, 1943, have been issued, and estimates for the coming year will be placed before you.

In conclusion, I wish to express the trust that Divine Providence may so guide your deliberations that they may promote the public welfare and advance the happiness and security of all our people.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

PRAYERS. 4 O'Clock P.M.

Mr. Speaker then reported,

That, to prevent mistakes, he had obtained a copy of His Honour's Speech, which he read.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Clerk had received notification of a vacancy which has occurred in the membership of the House since the general election, through the death of the Member-elect for the Electoral District of Haldimand-Norfolk, and the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery had issued his writ for an election to fill the vacancy so created.

To C. F. Bulmer, Esq., I.S.O.,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for the Province of Ontario.

We, the undersigned George Alexander Drew, Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario for the Electoral District of High Park and Thomas Laird Kennedy, Member of the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Peel, do hereby notify you that a vacancy has occurred in the representation in the said Legislative Assembly for the Electoral District of Haldimand-Norfolk by reason of the death of Wallace W. Walsh, Member elect for the said Electoral District of Haldimand-Norfolk.

And we, the said George Alexander Drew and Thomas Laird Kennedy, Members of the Assembly aforesaid, hereby require you to issue a new Writ for the Election of a Member to fill the said vacancy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals on this fifteenth day of February in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-four.

Signed and sealed in the presence of	GEORGE A. DREW	[L.S.]
ALEX. C. LEWIS.	THOMAS L. KENNEDY	[L.S.]

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 23), intituled, "An Act to amend The Weed Control Act. *Mr. Kennedy.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

On motion by Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor to this House be taken into consideration to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present

Session, be appointed for the following purposes: 1. On Privileges and Elections; 2. On Education; 3. On Miscellaneous Private Bills; 4. On Standing Orders; 5. On Public Accounts; 6. On Printing; 7. On Municipal Law; 8. On Legal Bills; 9. On Agriculture and Colonization; 10. On Fish and Game; 11. On Labour.

Which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Provincial Secretary presented to the House, by command of the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Public Accounts of the Province of Ontario for the twelve months ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 1.*)

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The House then adjourned at 4.15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Strange, the Petition of the Corporation of the City of Brantford.

By Mr. Anderson, the Petition of the Corporation of the City of Fort William.

By Mr. Laurier, the Petition of L'Union St. Joseph du Canada.

By Mr. Scott, the Petition of the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden.

By Mr. Murdoch, the Petition of the Corporation of the County of Essex.

By Mr. Porter, the Petition of the Board of Regents of Victoria University.

By Mr. Mitchell, the Petition of the Corporation of the County of York.

By Mr. Gordon, the Petition of Victor Roets, Constantin Van Gool and Leopold Constandt.

By Mr. Nixon, the Petition of the Ministerial Superannuation Board of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

By Mr. Overall, the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie.

By Mr. Jolliffe, the Petition of the Corporation of the Township of York.

The Order of the Day for the Consideration of the Speech of the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session having been read,

Mr. Taylor (Huron) moved, seconded by Mr. McDonald,

That an humble Address be presented to the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor as follows—

To The Honourable Albert Matthews,
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has addressed to us.

And a Debate having ensued, it was, on the motion of Mr. Jolliffe,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 4.20 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Corporation of the City of Brantford, praying that an Act may pass to provide for the election of members of the Brantford Public Utilities Commission annually, one from each of the five Wards in the Municipality and the Mayor, ex officio.

Of the Corporation of the City of Fort William, praying that an Act may pass empowering the said Corporation to lease, option, sell or exchange lands acquired at tax sales and providing for the election of members of the Board of Parks Management.

Of L'Union St. Joseph du Canada, praying that an Act may pass bringing the petitioner under the terms of the Ontario Insurance Act as it applies to fraternal societies.

Of the Township of Anson, Hindon and Minden, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the amalgamation of the said Townships into one Township.

Of the Corporation of the County of Essex, praying that an Act may pass to validate by-law No. 924 of the said Corporation, fixing the equalization of assessment in the said County.

Of the Board of Regents of Victoria University, praying that an Act may pass to redefine the rights and powers of the various governing bodies of the University.

Of the Corporation of the County of York, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the payment of remuneration to members of the Toronto and York Roads Commission.

Of Victor Roets, Constantin Van Gool and Leopold Constandt, praying that an Act may pass constituting a corporate body to be known as Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province of Canada.

Of the Ministerial Superannuation Board of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec praying that an Act may pass authorizing the petitioners to establish a contributory retiring annuity plan for Ministers, Missionaries and Employees of the said Convention.

Of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie, praying that an Act may pass validating a by-law of the said Corporation to fix the manner of electing the Town Council.

Of the Corporation of the Township of York, praying that an Act may pass to provide for the erection of the Township into a City and to prohibit the annexation of any part of the Township to any other Municipality for a period of five years.

On motion by Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Nixon,

Ordered, That Mr. Patterson, Member for Grey North, be appointed Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House for the present Session.

On motion by Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That a Select Committee of eleven members be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient despatch lists of the members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by the House, such committee to be composed as follows:

Messrs. Anderson, Belanger, Kelly, McLeod, McPhee, Miller, Murdoch, Porter, Robinson (Waterloo South), Stewart (Kingston) and Strange.

The quorum of the said Committee to consist of three members.

On motion by Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That during the present Session of the Legislative Assembly provision be made for the taking of stenographic reports of debates and speeches, and to that end that the Honourable the Provincial Treasurer be authorized to employ the necessary stenographers at such rates of compensation as may be agreed to by him, copies of the said stenographic reports to be supplied to the leaders of the various parties represented in the House, to the Clerk of the House and to the Legislative Library.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 24), intituled, "An Act to amend The Justices of the Peace Act." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 25), intituled, "The Wartime Housing Act." *Mr. Dunbar.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 26), intituled, "An Act to amend The Nurses' Registration Act." *Mr. Vivian.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 27), intituled, "An Act to amend The Highway Improvement Act." *Mr. Doucett.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 28), intituled, "An Act to amend The Legitimation Act." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 29), intituled, "An Act to amend The Crown Timber Act." *Mr. Thompson.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 30), intituled, "An Act to amend The Law Society Act." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 31), intituled, "An Act to amend The Provincial Land Tax Act." *Mr. Thompson.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 32), intituled, "An Act to amend The Trustee Act." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 33), intituled, "An Act to amend The Surveys Act." *Mr. Thompson.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 34), intituled, "An Act to amend The Public Lands Act." *Mr. Thompson.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 35), intituled, "The Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1944." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 36), intituled, "The Abitibi Power and Paper Company Limited Moratorium Act, 1944." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 37), intituled, "The Holland Marsh Roads Act, 1944." *Mr. Doucett.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Drew,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to direct the expenditure of any sum set apart in the Estimates for Art purposes, such Committee to be composed as follows:

Messrs. Duckworth (Chairman), Bégin, Casselman, Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox), Oliver, Robson, Salsberg, Taylor (Huron), Warren.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of three members.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to act with Mr. Speaker in the control and management of the Library, such Committee to be composed as follows:

Messrs. Arnott (Chairman), Hanna, Laurier, MacLeod, McEwing, Overall, Reynolds, Robertson and Scott.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of three members.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 23), An Act to amend The Weed Control Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 24), An Act to amend The Justices of the Peace Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 26), An Act to amend The Nurses' Registration Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 28), An Act to amend The Legitimation Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 30), An Act to amend The Law Society Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 32), An Act to amend The Trustee Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 35), The Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1944.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 36), The Abitibi Power and Paper Company Limited Moratorium Act, 1944.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The House then adjourned at 3.50 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Murphy, the Petition of the Corporation of the Township of Scarborough.

By Mr. Millard, the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of New Toronto.

By Mr. Mitchell, the Petition of the Corporation of the Township of North York.

By Mr. Brown, the Petition of the Corporation of the City of Welland.

By Mr. Acres, the Petition of the City of Ottawa Public School Board.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 38), intituled, "An Act to amend The Rural Power District Service Charge Act." *Mr. Challies.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 39), intituled, "An Act respecting the Department of Planning and Development." *Mr. Drew.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 40), intituled, "An Act to amend The Executive Council Act." *Mr. Drew.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 23), An Act to amend The Weed Control Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 24), An Act to amend The Justices of the Peace Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 26), An Act to amend The Nurses' Registration Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 28), An Act to amend The Legitimation Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 32), An Act to amend The Trustee Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 35), The

Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1944, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 36), The Abitibi Power and Paper Company Limited Moratorium Act, 1944, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 25), The Wartime Housing Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 27), An Act to amend The Highway Improvement Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 29), An Act to amend The Crown Timber Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 31), An Act to amend The Provincial Land Tax Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 33), An Act to amend The Surveys Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 34), An Act to amend The Public Lands Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 37), The Holland Marsh Roads Act, 1944.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 4.40 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Corporation of the Township of Scarborough, praying that an Act may pass prohibiting the annexation of any part of the Township to any other municipality for a term of five years.

Of the Corporation of the Town of New Toronto, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Ontario Municipal Board to raise the Town to the status of a City.

Of the Corporation of the Township of North York, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the petitioners to alter the boundaries of school areas, to establish a transportation area and for other purposes.

Of the Corporation of the City of Welland, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the City to grant the sum of $50,000.00 to the Welland-Crowland Health and Recreational Centre towards the cost of construction of an Arena.

Of the City of Ottawa Public School Board, praying that an Act may pass to provide for the election of the members of the said Board every two years at the same time and places as the election of members of the Ottawa City Council.

Mr. Stewart (Kingston) from the Select Committee appointed to strike the Standing Committees ordered by the House presented their first report which was read, as follows, and adopted:—

Your Committee recommends that the Standing Committee on Standing Orders be composed as follows:—

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Acres, Alles, Anderson, Belanger, Blackwell, Carlin, Connor, Doucett, Duckworth, Frost, Grummett, Hall, Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox), Kelly, Laurier, Lockhart, Luckock, MacLeod, Millard, Miller, Murdoch, McDonald, McPhee, Nixon, Oliver, Overall, Patterson, Porter, Reynolds, Riggs, Robertson, Robson, Scott, Smith, Steel, Stewart (Kingston), Strange, Taylor (Huron) and Warren, 40.

The quorum of the said committee to consist of five members.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 41), intituled, "An Act to provide for the Central Filing and Publication of Regulations." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 42), intituled, "An Act to amend The Power Commission Act." *Mr. Challies.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 43), intituled, "An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act." *Mr. Daley.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 23), An Act to amend The Weed Control Act.

Bill (No. 24), An Act to amend The Justices of the Peace Act.

Bill (No. 26), An Act to amend The Nurses' Registration Act.

Bill (No. 28), An Act to amend The Legitimation Act.

Bill (No. 32), An Act to amend The Trustee Act.

Bill (No. 35), The Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1944.

Bill (No. 36), The Abitibi Power and Paper Company Limited Moratorium Act, 1944.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time, it was on the motion of Mr. MacLeod,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.35 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1st, 1944

Prayers. 3 O'Clock P.M.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 44), intituled, "The Sugar Beet Subsidy Act, 1944." *Mr. Kennedy.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 39), An Act respecting the Department of Planning and Development.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 40), An Act to amend The Executive Council Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 41), An Act to provide for the Central Filing and Publication of Regulations.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 43), An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Roberts,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2ND, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Stewart (Kingston), from the Select Committee appointed to strike the Standing Committees ordered by the House, presented their second and final report, which was read as follows, and adopted:—

Your Committee recommends that the Standing Committees of the House, as listed hereunder, be composed as follows:—

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Anderson, Arnott, Blackwell, Brown, Casselman, Connor, Cook, Dennison, Dent, Docker, Downie, Duckworth, Duff, Frost, Gordon, Hanna, Hepburn (Elgin), *Hunt, Johnston, Jolliffe, Kelly, Kennedy, Laurier, Leavens, Luckock, MacLeod, Macphail, Millard, Murdoch, Murphy, McEwing, McIntyre, McPhee, Oliver, Patrick, Pringle, Roberts, Robertson, Robinson* (Waterloo South), *Robson, Scott, Steel, Stewart* (Kingston), *Strange, Webster*—46.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of nine members.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Bégin, Belanger, Brown, Carlin, Casselman, Downie, Duff, Dunbar, Frost, Goodfellow, Hancock, Johnston, Jolliffe, Kehoe, Kelly, Luckock, MacLeod, MacPhail, Miller, Murdoch, Murphy, McDonald, McPhee, Nixon, Overall, Patrick, Porter, Pringle, Riggs, Roberts, Robinson (Port Arthur), *Robinson* (Waterloo South), *Robson, Strange, Taylor* (Huron), *Vivian, Warren, Webster, Williams*—40.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of nine members.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Acres, Anderson, Arnott, Bégin, Bennett, Blackwell, Brown, Carlin, Challies, Connor, Cook, Daley, Dennison, Dickson, Docker, Doucett, Duckworth, Dunbar, Frost, Gordon, Grummett, Hall, Hancock, Hanna, Harvey, Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox), *Hepburn* (Elgin), *Hunt, Jolliffe, Kelly, Kennedy, Leavens, Lockhart, Luckock, MacLeod, MacPhail, Miller, Mitchell, Murdoch, Murphy, Murray, McDonald, McEwing, McIntyre, McPhee, Nixon, Oliver, Overall, Patrick, Patterson, Porter, Pringle, Reynolds, Roberts, Robinson* (Port Arthur), *Robson, Scott, Smith, Steel, Stewart* (Kingston), *Strange, Taylor* (Temiskaming), *Taylor* (Huron), *Thompson, Thornberry, Vivian, Webster, Williams, Wismer*—70.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of nine members.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Acres, Alles, Anderson, Arnott, Bégin, Belanger, Bennett, Blackwell, Brown, Casselman, Challies, Connor, Daley, Dennison, Dent, Dickson, Doucett, Downie, Duckworth, Dunbar, Frost, Goodfellow, Gordon, Grummett, Hall, Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox), *Hepburn* (Elgin), *Hunt, Johnston, Jolliffe, Kehoe, Kelly, Kennedy, Leavens, Lockhart, Luckock, MacGillivray, MacLeod, Millard, Miller, Mitchell, Murdoch, Murphy, McIntyre, McPhee, Nixon, Oliver, Overall, Patrick, Patterson, Porter, Pringle, Reynolds, Riggs, Roberts, Robinson* (Port Arthur), *Robinson* (Waterloo South), *Smith, Stewart* (Kingston), *Strange, Taylor* (Temiskaming), *Taylor* (Huron), *Thompson, Thornberry, Vivian, Warren, Webster, Williams, Wismer*—70.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of nine members.

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Alles, Anderson, Arnott, Bégin, Casselman, Challies, Dennison, Dent, Dickson, Docker, Duff, Dunbar, Goodfellow, Hanna, Hunt, Kelly, Kennedy, Laurier, Leavens, Luckock, Millard, Murphy, McIntyre, Pringle, Riggs, Roberts, Robertson, Salsberg, Taylor (Temiskaming)—30.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of five members.

COMMITTEE OE MUNICIPAL LAW

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Anderson, Arnott, Bégin, Bennett, Blackwell, Brown, Carlin, Challies, Daley, Dennison, Dent, Docker, Doucett, Duckworth, Dunbar, Frost, Goodfellow, Gordon, Grummett, Hancock, Hanna, Harvey, Hepburn (Elgin), *Hunt, Johnston, Jolliffe, Kehoe, Kelly, Kennedy, Laurier, Leavens, Lockhart, MacGillivray, Mitchell, Murdoch, Murphy, Murray, McDonald, McEwing, McPhee, Nixon, Patrick, Patterson, Porter, Reynolds, Riggs, Roberts, Robinson* (Port Arthur), *Robinson* (Waterloo South), *Salsberg, Smith, Steel, Stewart* (Kingston), *Strange, Taylor* (Temiskaming), *Thompson, Thornberry, Vivian, Williams*—60.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of nine members.

COMMITTEE ON LEGAL BILLS

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Arnott, Belanger, Blackwell, Brown, Dennison, Docker, Frost, Grummett, Hancock, Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox), *Jolliffe, Kehoe, Kelly, Laurier, MacLeod, Murdoch, McDonald, Nixon, Patrick, Porter, Reynolds, Roberts, Robinson* (Waterloo South), *Scott, Stewart* (Kingston), *Taylor* (Temiskaming), *Taylor* (Huron), *Warren, Wismer*—30.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of five members.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND COLONIZATION

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Acres, Anderson, Belanger, Brown, Carlin, Casselman, Challies, Cook, Dennison, Dent, Dickson, Doucett, Downie, Duff, Goodfellow, Hall, Hancock, Hanna, Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox), *Hepburn* (Elgin), *Hunt, Johnston, Jolliffe, Kelly, Kennedy, Leavens, Lockhart, Luckock, Macphail, Mitchell, Murdoch, Murphy, Murray, McDonald, McEwing, McIntyre, Nixon, Oliver, Overall, Patrick, Pringle, Reynolds, Robinson* (Waterloo South), *Robson, Salsberg, Scott, Smith, Steel, Strange, Taylor* (Tamiskaming), *Taylor* (Huron), *Thompson, Warren, Webster*—55.

The Quroum of the said Committee to consist of nine members.

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Acres, Alles, Bennett, Brown, Carlin, Casselman, Challies, Cook, Dent, Dickson, Docker, Doucett, Dunbar, Goodfellow, Gordon, Grummett, Hall, Hancock, Hanna, Harvey, Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox), *Hepburn* (Elgin), *Hunt, Johnston, Kehoe, Kelly, Lockhart, Luckock, MacGillivray, Millard, Miller, Mitchell, Murdoch, Murray, McDonald, McIntyre, McPhee, Nixon, Oliver, Overall, Patrick, Patterson, Porter, Pringle, Reynolds, Riggs, Robinson* (Port Arthur), *Robson, Salsberg, Scott, Smith, Stewart* (Kingston), *Strange, Taylor* (Temiskaming), *Taylor* (Huron), *Thompson, Warren, Webster, Wismer*—60.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of nine members.

COMMITTEE ON LABOUR

The Honourable Mr. Drew, Messrs. Alles, Arnott, Belanger, Blackwell, Carlin, Challies, Connor, Cook, Daley, Duckworth, Gordon, Grummett, Hall, Harvey, Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox), *Hepburn* (Elgin), *Jolliffe, Kelly, Leavens, MacGillivray, Millard, Murdoch, Murphy, Murray, McPhee, Nixon, Porter, Reynolds, Riggs, Roberts, Robertson, Robinson* (Port Arthur), *Salsberg, Scott, Steel, Strange, Taylor* (Huron), *Thompson, Williams*—40.

The Quorum of the said Committee to consist of seven members.

Mr. Grummett moved for permission to introduce a Bill intituled "An Act to amend The Mothers' Allowance Act."

He explained that the purpose of the Act was to authorize the payment of mother's allowance to a woman who had residing with her a child or children under sixteen years of age whose mother was deceased or confined to a public institution where at present such payment can be made only if such children are orphans

Mr. Speaker ruled that the proposed Bill contemplated an extension of the powers of the Mothers' Allowance Commission to disburse public funds and was

therefore subject to Section 54 of the British North America Act which provided that all Bills contemplating the appropriation of money voted by the Legislature had to be preceded by a recommendation from the Lieutenant-Governor.

He therefore ruled that the motion for the introduction of the Bill could not be accepted.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Challies,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting payment of deficit out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund where revenue derived by The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario for any class of service rendered by it in the rural power district is not sufficient to meet the necessary cost of the service as specified by the Commission.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

That where in a rural power district, within the meaning of *The Power Commission Act*, by reason of the maximum service charge having been reduced or removed, the revenue derived by The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario for any class of service rendered by it in the rural power district is not sufficient to meet the necessary cost of the service as specified by the Commission, the deficit shall be chargeable to and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved,

That where in a rural power district, within the meaning of *The Power Commission Act*, by reason of the maximum service charge having been reduced or removed, the revenue derived by The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario for any class of service rendered by it in the rural power district is not sufficient to meet the necessary cost of the service as specified by the Commission, the deficit shall be chargeable to and payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the House on Bill (No. 38), An Act to amend The Rural Power District Service Charge Act.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Doucett,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the payment of subsidies in connection with expenditures made in a Township under The Holland Marsh Roads Act, 1944.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

That subsidies, as provided by *The Highway Improvement Act* for township roads, shall be payable in respect of expenditures made in a township under the provisions of Bill (No. 37), *The Holland Marsh Roads Act, 1944.*

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved,

That subsidies, as provided by *The Highway Improvement Act* for township roads, shall be payable in respect of expenditures made in a township under the provisions of Bill (No. 37), *The Holland Marsh Roads Act, 1944.*

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the House on Bill (No. 37), The Holland Marsh Roads Act, 1944.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 30), An Act to amend The Law Society Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 25), The Wartime Housing Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed

the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 29), An Act to amend The Crown Timber Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 31), An Act to amend The Provincial Land Tax Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 33), An Act to amend The Surveys Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 34), An Act to amend The Public Lands Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 37), The Holland Marsh Roads Act, 1944, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 39), An Act respecting the Department of Planning and Development, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 40), An Act to amend The Executive Council Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 41), An Act to provide for the Central Filing and Publication of Regulations, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Salsberg,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until Monday next.

The House then adjourned at 10.50 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Murphy, the Petition of the Corporation of the Town of Leaside.

By Mr. Laurier, the Petition of the Corporation of the City of Ottawa.

The following Bil s were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 45), intituled, "An Act respecting Municipal Health Services." *Mr. Dennison.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 46), intituled, "An Act to prevent the Publication of Discriminator Matter referring to Race or Creed." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:

Bill (No. 30), An Act to amend The Law Society Act.

Bill (No. 25), The Wartime Housing Act.

Bill (No. 29), An Act to amend The Crown Timber Act.

Bill (No. 31), An Act to amend The Provincial Land Tax Act.

Bill (No. 33), An Act to amend The Surveys Act.

Bill (No. 34), An Act to amend The Public Lands Act.

Bill (No. 37), The Holland Marsh Roads Act, 1944.

Bill (No. 39), An Act respecting the Department of Planning and Development.

Bill (No. 40), An Act to amend The Executive Council Act.

Bill (No. 41), An Act to provide for the Central Filing and Publication of Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution fixing the subsidy to be paid in connection with the Processing of Sugar Beets.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

That during the period between the 1st day of April, 1944, and the 31st day of March, 1945, a subsidy shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund to every person who produces sugar beets in Ontario under contract with a person engaged in the business of processing sugar beets into sugar and sugar by-products, the amount of such subsidy to be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council at an amount not exceeding $1.55 for each ton of sugar beets.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved,

That during the period between the 1st day of April, 1944, and the 31st day of March, 1945, a subsidy shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund to every person who produces sugar beets in Ontario under contract with a person engaged in the business of processing sugar beets into sugar and sugar by-products, the amount of such subsidy to be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council at an amount not exceeding $1.55 for each ton of sugar beets.

This Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to and referred to the House on Bill (No. 44), The Sugar Beet Subsidy Act, 1944.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Doucett,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting payment out of the Highway Improvement Fund of percentage of cost of improving bridges and culverts, wages of Township overseer, etc.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

That the Minister of Highways may direct payment out of the Highway Improvement Fund of an amount equal to such proportion, not exceeding seventy-five per centum, of the expenditure made in constructing, maintaining, replacing or improving a bridge or culvert under the jurisdiction of a county in accordance with a plan approved by the proper officer of the Department of Highways, as he may deem requisite.

That the Minister of Highways be empowered to direct payment out of the Highway Improvement Fund of such greater portion than fifty per centum as he may deem requisite of the salary and expenses of a township road superintendent; and

That where in any part of Ontario without municipal organization the Minister of Highways has arranged with road commissioners under *The Statute Labour Act*, or with any person who is the owner of land therein or of any equity or rights in or relating to any such land, for the construction, improvement, maintenance or repair of any road situate therein and designated by the Minister, the Minister may direct payment out of the Highway Improvement Fund of an amount equal to such proportion of the cost of the work as he may deem requisite.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, the Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved,

That the Minister of Highways may direct payment out of the Highway Improvement Fund of an amount equal to such proportion, not exceeding seventy-five per centum, of the expenditure made in constructing, maintaining, replacing or improving a bridge or culvert under the jurisdiction of a county in accordance with a plan approved by the proper officer of the Department of Highways, as he may deem requisite.

That the Minister of Highways be empowered to direct payment out of the Highway Improvement Fund of such greater portion than fifty per centum as he may deem requisite of the salary and expenses of a township road superintendent; and

That where in any part of Ontario without municipal organization the Minister of Highways has arranged with road commissioners under *The Statute Labour Act*, or with any person who is the owner of land therein or of any equity or rights in or relating to any such land, for the construction, improvement, maintenance or repair of any road situate therein and designated by the Minister, the Minister may direct payment out of the Highway Improvement Fund of an amount equal to such proportion of the cost of the work as he may deem requisite.

This Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to and referred to the House on Bill (No. 27), An Act to amend The Highway Improvement Act.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 27), An Act to amend The Highway Improvement Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 43), An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report that the Committee recommended that the Bill be referred by the House to the Committee on Labour for consideration and report.

The Report was adopted and Bill (No. 43), An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act, was referred to the Committee on Labour for consideration and report.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 44), The Sugar Beet Subsidy Act, 1944.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Colonization.

The House then adjourned at 5.00 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 6TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. Webster, the Petition of the Corporation of the City of London.

By Mr. Porter, the Petition of the Corporation of the City of Toronto.

By Mr. Goodfellow, the Petition of the Corporation of the Township of Monaghan.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Corporation of the City of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the establishment of a retirement fund for employees of the Ottawa Civic Hospital.

Of the Corporation of the Town of Leaside, praying that an Act may pass prohibiting the annexation of any part of that municipality to any other municipality for a period of five years.

The following Bill was read the third time and was passed:—

Bill (No. 27), An Act to amend The Highway Improvement Act.

Mr. Dennison asked the following Question (No. 4):—

1. Who are the members of the Provincial Fuel Committee appointed in 1943. 2. What salary or other remuneration has been paid to each member of the Committee to date. 3. What travelling or other expenses have been paid to each member of the Committee to date. 4. Has the Committee made any recommendation regarding lignite or peat fuel development or use.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines replied as follows:—

1. Dr. H. B. Speakman; Dr. G. B. Langford; Mr. F. D. Tolchard. 2. Dr. H. B. Speakman—Nil; Dr. G. B. Langford—$450.00; Mr. F. D. Tolchard—Nil. 3. No travelling expenses have been paid to any member of the Commission. There has been paid out by the Government the sum of $179.88 to cover the travelling expenses of the Commission. 4. No.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Mitchell,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.50 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 7TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were read and received:—

Of the Corporation of the City of London, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the City to include one mill in the annual tax rate for public park purposes instead of one half mill as heretofore.

Of the Corporation of the City of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to validate tax sales, to authorize the Corporation to provide for the payment of contributions to any superannuation or pension fund for employees on Active Service, and for other purposes.

Of the Corporation of the Township of Monaghan, praying that an Act may pass validating an order of the Ontario Municipal Board annexing a portion of the said Township to the City of Peterborough.

Mr. Stewart (Kingston) from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented the following as their First Report which was read, as follows, and adopted:—

Your Committee has carefully examined the following Petitions and finds the notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Corporation of the Town of Leaside, praying that an Act may pass prohibiting the annexation of any part of that municipality for a period of five years.

Of the Corporation of the City of Brantford, praying that an Act may pass to provide for the election of members of the Brantford Public Utilities Commission annually, one from each of the five wards in the municipality and the Mayor, ex officio.

Of the Corporation of the City of Fort William, praying that an Act may pass empowering the said Corporation to lease, option, sell or exchange lands acquired at tax sales for other lands and providing for the election of members of the Board of Parks Management.

Of L'Union St.-Joseph du Canada, praying that an Act may pass bringing the petitioner under the terms of the Ontario Insurance Act as it affects fraternal societies.

Of the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the amalgamation of the said Townships into one Township.

Of the Corporation of the County of Essex, praying that an Act may pass to validate by law No. 924 of the said Corporation, fixing the equalization of assessment in the said County.

Of the Corporation of the Township of North York, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the petitioners to alter the boundaries of school areas, to establish a transportation area and for other purposes.

Of the City of Ottawa Public School Board, praying that an Act may pass to provide for the election of the members of the said Board every two years at the same time and places as the election of members of the Ottawa City Council.

Of the Board of Regents of Victoria University, praying that an Act may pass to redefine the rights and powers of the various governing bodies of the University.

Of the Corporation of the Township of Scarborough, praying that an Act may pass prohibiting the annexation of any part of the Township to any other municipality for a term of five years.

Of the Corporation of the Township of York, praying that an Act may pass to provide for the erection of the Township into a City and to prohibit the annexation of any part of the Township to any other municipality for a period of five years.

Your Committee recommends that Rule No. 63 of your Honourable House be suspended in this that the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 14th day of March next.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 14th day of March next.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 1), intituled, "An Act respecting the Town of Leaside." *Mr. Murphy.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 2), intituled, "An Act respecting the City of Brantford." *Mr. Strange.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 3), intituled, "An Act respecting the City of Fort William." *Mr. Anderson.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 4), intituled, "An Act respecting the Township of Scarborough." *Mr. Murphy.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 5), intituled, "An Act respecting L'Union Saint-Joseph du Canada." *Mr. Laurier.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 6), intituled, "An Act respecting the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden." *Mr. Scott.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 8), intituled, "An Act respecting the County of Essex." *Mr. Murdoch.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 10), intituled, "An Act respecting the Township of North York." *Mr. Mitchell.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 19), intituled, "An Act respecting the City of Ottawa Public School Board." *Mr. Acres.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 47), intituled, "An Act respecting The Ontario Research Foundation." *Mr. Drew.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 48), intituled, "An Act to amend The Commissioners for Taking Affidavits Act." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 49), intituled, "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." *Mr. Brown.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 50), intituled, "An Act to confirm Tax Sales." *Mr. Dunbar.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 38), An Act to amend The Rural Power District Service Charge Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Belanger,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until to-morrow.

Mr. Challies presented to the House a Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario relating to differences in the cost of Power supplied Municipalities and Rural Power Districts in Ontario. (*Sessional Papers No. 41.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Goodfellow, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonizas tion, submitted the following as their First Report which was read as follow- and adopted:—

Your Committee has carefully considered the provisions of Bill (No. 44), An Act to amend The Sugar Beet Subsidy Act, 1943, and begs leave to report the Bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That the name of Mr. Downer be added to the Standing Committees on Education, Private Bills, Agriculture and Colonization and Labour.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 16), intituled, "An Act respecting the Township of York." *Mr. Jolliffe.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 51), intituled, "An Act to amend The Transportation of Fowl Act." *Mr. Goodfellow.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Mr. Mitchell asked the following Question (No. 12):—

1. How many men on the staff of the University of Toronto school possess the qualifications required by the Department of Education of principals of High Schools and Collegiates. 2. Does the new principal of the University of Toronto school possess such qualifications. 3. How long has the new Principal been a member of the staff.

The Honourable the Prime Minister and Minister of Education replied as follows:—

1. Five. 2. Yes. 3. Since July 1st, 1942.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 38), An Act to amend The Rural Power District Service Charge Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Reynolds reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 42), An Act to amend The Power Commission Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 47), An Act respecting The Ontario Research Foundation.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Goodfellow,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10.55 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 9TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bill was read the third time and was passed:—

Bill (No. 38), An Act to amend The Rural Power District Service Charge Act.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 44), The Sugar Beet Subsidy Act, 1944, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 42), An Act to amend The Power Commission Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 47), An Act respecting The Ontario Research Foundation, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 48), An Act to amend The Commissioners for Taking Affidavits Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion

for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Millard,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11.00 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 52), intituled, "An Act to set up County Agricultural Committees." *Mr. Kennedy.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Mr. Mitchell asked the following Question (No. 11):—

When the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of this Province wishes to purchase electrical equipment, how does it proceed. 1. Does the Commission call for tenders at all times when purchasing such equipment. 2. If the Commission does call for tenders, is the contract always awarded to the lowest bidder. 3. If there are any cases where contract is not awarded to lowest bidder what is the reason.

The Honourable Mr. Challies, Minister without Portfolio, replied as follows:—

1. Yes, except where there is no advantage in doing so, such as where prices are standard, or where it is definitely established there is only one source of supply. 2. No. 3. Many factors determine the value of electrical equipment to the Commission, such as efficiency and performance characteristics, workmanship, physical characteristics, delivery date, etc. When other than low bid is accepted it is upon the recommendation of the Engineering Department concerned.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 44), The Sugar Beet Subsidy Act, 1944.

Bill (No. 42), An Act to amend The Power Commission Act.

Bill (No. 47), An Act respecting The Ontario Research Foundation.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 48), An Act to amend The Commissioners for Taking Affidavits Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 46), An Act to prevent the Publication of Discriminatory Matter referring to Race or Creed.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 50), An Act to confirm Tax Sales.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Porter,

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned until Tuesday next.

The Provincial Secretary presented to the House, by command of the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Department of Labour of the Province of Ontario for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 10.*)

Also, Annual Report of the Public Service Superannuation Board, Ontario, for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 36.*)

Also, Statement of the Legislative Grants apportioned to the Rural Public Schools and all Separate Schools for the year 1943, Department of Education. (*Sessional Papers No. 17.*)

Also, Report of the Ontario Historical Society for the year 1942-43. (*Sessional Papers No. 42.*)

Also, Report of Provincial Auditor, Ontario, 1942-43. (*Sessional Papers No. 27.*)

Also, Report of the Board of Governors of the University of Toronto for the year ending June 30th, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

Also, Copies of Orders-in-Council, 1943-1944, pertaining to the Department of Education. (*Sessional Papers No. 45.*)

Also, Order-in-Council made pursuant to The Ontario Insurance Act. (*Sessional Papers No. 43.*)

Also, Order-in-Council under The Guarantee Companies Securities Act. (*Sessional Papers No. 44.*)

Also, Report of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario for year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 20.*)

The House then adjourned at 5.40 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 13TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 9), intituled, "An Act respecting Victoria University." *Mr. Porter.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 53), intituled, "The Cheese and Hog Subsidy Act, 1944." *Mr. Kennedy.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 54), intituled, "An Act to amend The Credit Union Act." *Mr. Kennedy.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Mr. Strange asked the following Question (No. 8):—

1. How many persons in Ontario were receiving old age pensions as of November 1st, 1943. 2. How many of such persons have received increases in pension since November 1st, 1943. 3. How many of such persons have ceased to receive pensions since November 1st, 1943. 4. How many persons have commenced receiving old age pensions since November 1st, 1943.

The Honourable the Minister of Health replied as follows:—

1. 56,886 (as of November 1st, 1943). 2. 46,096. 3. 3,081. 4. 2,487.

Mr. Steel asked the following Question (No. 9):—

1. How many persons were receiving mothers' allowances as of August 17th, 1943. 2. How many of such persons have received increases in mothers' allowances since August 17th, 1943. 3. How many of such persons have had their allowances reduced since August 17th, 1943. 4. How many persons have ceased to receive mothers' allowances since August 17th, 1943. 5. How many persons have commenced receiving mothers' allowances since August 17th, 1943.

The Honourable the Minister of Health replied as follows:—

1. 7,758. 2. 510. 3. 1,070. 4. 1,228. 5. 791.

The following Bill was read the third time and was passed:—

Bill (No. 48), An Act to amend The Commissioners for Taking Affidavits Act.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 46), An Act to prevent the Publication of Discriminatory Matter referring to Race or Creed, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 50), An Act to confirm Tax Sales, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 4.25 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 14TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Stewart (Kingston) from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Second Report which was read, as follows, and adopted:—

Your Committee has carefully examined the following Petitions and finds the notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of the Corporation of the County of York, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the payment of remuneration to members of the Toronto and York Roads Commission.

Of the Corporation of the City of Ottawa, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the establishment of a retirement fund for employees of the Ottawa Civic Hospital.

Of the Ministerial Superannuation Board of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec and of the Baptist Convention of Ontario, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the Petitioners to establish a contributory retiring annuity plan for Ministers, Missionaries and employees of the said Convention.

Of the Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie, praying that an Act may pass validating a by-law of the said Corporation to fix the manner of electing the Town Council.

Of the Corporation of the City of Toronto, praying that an Act may pass to validate tax sales, to authorize the Corporation to provide for the payment of contributions to any superannuation or benefit fund for employees on Active Service and for other purposes.

Of the Corporation of the Township of North Monaghan, praying that an Act may pass validating an Order of the Ontario Municipal Board annexing a portion of the said Township to the City of Peterborough.

Your Committee recommends that Rule No. 63 be suspended in this that the time for introducing Private Bills be further extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 21st day of March next.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills be extended until and inclusive of Tuesday, the 21st day of March next.

Mr. Reynolds from the Standing Committee on Private Bills presented their First Report which was read, as follows, and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill (No. 5), An Act respecting L'Union Saint-Joseph du Canada.

Bill (No. 6), An Act respecting the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden.

Your Committee begs to report the following Bill with a certain amendment:—

Bill (No. 4), An Act respecting the Township of Scarborough.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 55), intituled, "An Act to amend The Milk Control Act." *Mr. Lockhart.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 56), intituled, "An Act respecting the Guardianship of the Dionne Quintuplets." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 11), intituled, "An Act respecting the County of York." *Mr. Mitchell.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 12), intituled, "An Act respecting the Ottawa Civic Hospital." *Mr. Laurier.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 14), intituled, "An Act respecting the Boards of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec." *Mr. Nixon.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 15), intituled, "An Act respecting the Town of Fort Erie." *Mr. Overall.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 20), intituled, "An Act respecting the City of Toronto." *Mr. Porter.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 21), intituled, "An Act respecting the Township of North Monaghan." *Mr. Goodfellow.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 46), An Act to prevent the Publication of Discriminatory Matter referring to Race or Creed.

Bill (No. 50), An Act to confirm Tax Sales.

His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor entered the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and took his Seat upon the Throne.

Mr. Speaker then addressed His Honour as follows:—

May it please Your Honour

The Legislative Assembly of the Province has, at its present Sittings, passed certain Bills to which, on behalf and in the name of the said Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent.

The Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Bills that had passed as follows:—

An Act to amend The Weed Control Act.

An Act to amend The Justices of the Peace Act.

An Act respecting Wartime Housing.

An Act to amend The Nurses' Registration Act.

An Act to amend The Highway Improvement Act.

An Act to amend The Legitimation Act.

An Act to amend The Crown Timber Act.

An Act to amend The Law Society Act.

An Act to amend The Provincial Land Tax Act.

An Act to amend The Trustee Act.

An Act to amend The Surveys Act.

An Act to amend The Public Lands Act.

The Mortgagors' and Purchasers' Relief Act, 1944.

The Holland Marsh Roads Act, 1944.

An Act to amend The Rural Power District Service Charge Act.

An Act respecting the Department of Planning and Development.

An Act to amend The Executive Council Act.

An Act to Provide for the Central Filing and Publication of Regulations.

An Act to amend The Power Commission Act.

The Sugar Beet Subsidy Act, 1944.

An Act respecting the Ontario Research Foundation.

An Act to amend The Commissioners for Taking Affidavits Act.

An Act to prevent the Publication of Discriminatory Matter relating to Race or Creed.

An Act to Confirm Tax Sales.

To these Bills the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:—

In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Bills.

His Honour was then pleased to retire.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion for consideration of the Speech of The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor at the opening of the Session, having been read,

The Debate was resumed and, after some time,

The motion having been put was carried on the following Division:—

YEAS

Acres
Arnott
Bégin
Blackwell
Challies
Daley
Dent
Dickson
Doucett
Downer
Downie
Drew
Duckworth
Duff
Dunbar
Frost
Goodfellow
Gordon
Hall
Hanna
Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox)
Hepburn (Elgin)
Johnston
Kelly
Laurier
MacGillivray
MacLeod
Miller
Murdoch
Murphy
Murray
McDonald
McEwing
McIntyre
McPhee
Patrick
Patterson
Porter
Pringle
Reynolds
Roberts
Robson
Salsberg
Scott
Stewart (Kingston)
Taylor (Huron)
Thompson
Vivian
Webster—49

NAYS

Alles
Bennett
Brown
Carlin
Casselman
Connor
Cook
Dennison
Docker
Grummett
Hancock
Harvey
Jolliffe
Kehoe
Leavens
Lockhart
Luckock
Millard
Overall
Riggs
Robertson
Robinson (Port Arthur)
Robinson (Waterloo, South)
Smith
Steel
Strange
Taylor (Temiskaming)
Thornberry
Warren
Williams
Wismer—31

And it was,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario, as follows:—

To the Honourable Albert Matthews,
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario.

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, now assembled, beg leave to thank Your Honour for the gracious speech Your Honour has addressed to us.

The Address, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed and presented to the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor by those Members of this House who are Members of the Executive Council.

The House then adjourned at 5.25 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 57), intituled, "An Act to enable Municipalities to Establish Health Services." *Mr. Vivian.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 52), An Act respecting County Agricultural Committees.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 53), The Cheese and Hog Subsidy Act, 1944.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 54), An Act to amend The Credit Union Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 56), An Act respecting the Guardianship of the Dionne Quintuplets.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 5), An Act respecting L'Union St. Joseph du Canada.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 6), An Act respecting the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 3.45 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 16TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Reynolds, from the Standing Committee on Private Bills, presented their Second Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill (No. 8), An Act respecting the County of Essex.

Bill (No. 19), An Act respecting the City of Ottawa Public School Board.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bill with a certain amendment:—

Bill (No. 1), An Act respecting the Town of Leaside.

On motion of Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Drew,

Ordered, That this House will to-day resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

On motion of Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Drew,

Ordered, That this House will to-morrow resolve itself into the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Drew delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by himself; and the said message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

ALBERT MATTHEWS

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the services of the Province for the year ending 31st March, 1945, and recommends them to the Legislative Assembly.

Toronto, March 16th, 1944.

(*Sessional Papers No. 2.*)

Ordered, That the message of the Lieutenant-Governor, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply having been read,

Mr. Frost moved,

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair and that the House resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

And a Debate having ensued, it was, on the motion of Mr. Wismer,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Tuesday next.

During the course of his presentation of the Budget the Provincial Treasurer laid on the Table the following statements:—

FOLLOWING IS A TABLE SHOWING OUR DEBT POSITION OVER THE LAST TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

ONTARIO DEBT POSITION
(In Millions of Dollars)

	1919 Oct. 31	1920 Oct. 31	1921 Oct. 31	1922 Oct. 31	1923 Oct. 31	1924 Oct. 31	1925 Oct. 31	1926 Oct. 31	1927 Oct. 31	1928 Oct. 31	1929 Oct. 31	1930 Oct. 31	1931 Oct. 31
Liabilities represented by Revenue-producing and Realizable Assets being money advanced by the Province to Hydro, T. and N.O., Farm Loans, etc.	83.9	104.4	157.8	173.1	190.0	210.5	199.8	204.6	211.1	220.3	238.8	260.6	276.6
Net Debt which must be paid from Taxes	13.1	22.8	44.6	60.0	101.0	119.0	132.5	144.5	157.8	173.8	188.1	212.7	244.0
Total Gross Debt as shown in Public Accounts	97.0	127.2	202.4	233.1	291.0	329.5	332.3	349.1	368.9	394.1	426.9	473.3	520.6
Guaranteed and Indirect Liabilities Hydro, T. and N.O., etc., guaranteed by Province	19.2	31.5	36.8	46.7	46.8	49.9	51.9	52.2	51.6	62.6	62.6	82.5	80.6
Total Gross Debt and Contingent Liabilities	116.2	158.7	239.2	279.8	337.8	379.4	384.2	401.3	420.5	456.7	489.5	555.8	601.2

	1932 Oct. 31	1933 Oct. 31	1934 Oct. 31	1935 Mar. 31 5 mos.	1936 Mar. 31	1937 Mar. 31	1938 Mar. 31	1939 Mar. 31	1940 Mar. 31	1941 Mar. 31	1942 Mar. 31	1943 Mar. 31
Liabilities represented by Revenue-producing and Realizable Assets being money advanced by the Province to Hydro, T. and N.O., Farm Loans, etc.	296.8	294.7	297.3	295.9	283.6	251.1	239.7	234.5	229.8	223.4	217.6	209.4
Net Debt which must be paid from Taxes	277.6	299.4	358.5	378.5	406.0	405.4	438.3	478.2	507.2	506.2	507.1	495.4
Total Gross Debt as shown in Public Accounts	574.4	594.1	655.8	674.4	689.6	656.5	678.0	712.7	737.0	729.6	724.7	704.8
Guaranteed and Indirect Liabilities, Hydro, T. and N.O., etc., guaranteed by Province	80.6	102.1	97.7	99.4	113.9	138.3	137.3	143.8	134.6	132.1	125.2	122.7
Total Gross Debt and Contingent Liabilities	655.0	696.2	753.5	773.8	803.5	794.8	815.3	856.5	871.6	861.7	849.9	827.5

INTERIM STATEMENT OF GROSS ORDINARY EXPENDITURE

FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1, 1943—MARCH 31, 1944

10 Months Actual—2 Months Forecast—12 Months

DEPARTMENT	Detail	Gross Ordinary Expenditure
AGRICULTURE		$ 6,066,000.00
ATTORNEY-GENERAL		4,413,000.00
EDUCATION		15,693,000.00
GAME AND FISHERIES		577,000.00
HEALTH:		
Main Office and Branches	$ 2,170,000.00	
Hospitals Branch	10,430,000.00	12,600,000.00
HIGHWAYS:		
Main Office	$ 500,000.00	
Division Offices	11,142,000.00	
Municipal Roads Branch	4,916,000.00	
Gasoline Tax Branch	97,000.00	
Miscellaneous Permits Branch	27,000.00	
Motor Vehicles Branch	197,000.00	16,879,000.00
INSURANCE		57,000.00
LABOUR		371,000.00
LANDS AND FORESTS		3,003,000.00
LEGISLATION		283,000.00
LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR		9,500.00
MINES		322,000.00
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS:		
Main Office and Municipal Board		3,337,000.00
PRIME MINISTER		160,000.00
PROVINCIAL AUDITOR		115,000.00
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY:		
Main Office and Registrar-General's Branch	$ 180,000.00	
Reformatories and Prisons Branch	1,852,000.00	2,032,000.00
PROVINCIAL TREASURER:		
Main Office	$ 598,000.00	
Budget Committee	5,328.49	
Bureau of Statistics and Research	7,825.00	
Controller of Revenue Branch	250,000.00	
Motion Picture Censorship, etc.	35,000.00	
Post Office	162,000.00	
Province of Ontario Savings Office	296,500.00	1,354,653.49
PUBLIC WELFARE:		
Main Office and Branches	$ 653,000.00	
Old Age Pensions Commission	5,767,000.00	
Mothers' Allowance Commission	4,080,000.00	
Unemployment Relief	1,224,000.00	11,724,000.00
PUBLIC WORKS		793,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS		104,400.00
KING'S PRINTER—Stationery Account		18,000.00
		$ 79,911,553.49
PROVINCIAL TREASURER—Public Debt Interest	$27,648,314.56	
Foreign Exchange	2,267,000.00	
Sinking Fund Instalments and Railway Aid Certificates	5,260,685.44	35,176,000.00
		$115,087,553.49

INTERIM STATEMENT OF GROSS CAPITAL PAYMENTS

FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1, 1943—MARCH 31, 1944

10 Months Actual—2 Months Forecast—12 Months

DEPARTMENT	GROSS CAPITAL PAYMENTS		
	Works and Resources, Etc.	Loan Advances	Trust Fund Repayments
AGRICULTURE	$	$ 25,000.00	$ .....
EDUCATION	65,638.43	.....	.....
GAME AND FISHERIES	4,000.00	.....	.....
HIGHWAYS	2,979,000.00	.....	.....
LANDS AND FORESTS	4,000.00	.....	.....
PRIME MINISTER—			
Public Service Superannuation Fund	.....	.....	1,065,000.00
PROVINCIAL TREASURER	200,000.00	2,339,000.00	409,000.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Dominion Government—Old Age Pensions and Pensions for the Blind	.....	11,000,000.00	.....
PUBLIC WORKS	95,000.00	.....	.....
MISCELLANEOUS	.....	.....	109,621.01
	$3,347,638.43	$13,364,000.00	$1,583,621.01

SUMMARY

Works and Resources	$ 3,347,638.43
Loan Advances	13,364,000.00
Trust Fund Repayments	1,583,621.01
	$18,295,259.44

INTERIM STATEMENT OF GROSS ORDINARY REVENUE

FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1, 1943—MARCH 31, 1944

10 Months Actual—2 Months Forecast—12 Months

DEPARTMENT	Detail	Gross Ordinary Revenue
AGRICULTURE		$ 318,000.00
ATTORNEY-GENERAL		977,000.00
EDUCATION		53,000.00
GAME AND FISHERIES		925,000.00
HEALTH:		
Main Office and Branches	$ 119,000.00	
Hospitals Branch	1,613,000.00	1,732,000.00
HIGHWAYS:		
Main Office and Branches	$ 24,000.00	
Gasoline Tax Branch	27,224,000.00	
Miscellaneous Permits Branch	90,000.00	
Motor Vehicles Branch	7,500,000.00	34,838,000.00

DEPARTMENT	Detail	Gross Ordinary Revenue
INSURANCE		$ 203,000.00
LABOUR		92,000.00
LANDS AND FORESTS		5,438,000.00
LEGISLATION		11,000.00
MINES		2,130,000.00
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS:		
Main Office	$ 3,525.00	
Municipal Board	21,025.00	24,550.00
PRIME MINISTER:		
King's Printer—Ontario Gazette		16,000.00
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY:		
Main Office and Registrar-General's Branch	420,000.00	
Reformatories and Prisons Branch	838,000.00	1,258,000.00
PROVINCIAL TREASURER:		
Main Office—Subsidy	3,155,007.48	
Interest—Common School Fund	71,229.86	
Liquor Control Board	20,000,000.00	
Controller of Revenue Branch:		
Succession Duty	11,650,000.00	
Corporations Tax	23,217,000.00	
Income Tax	6,826,000.00	
Race Tracks	1,009,803.82	
Security Transfer Tax	400,000.00	
Land Transfer Tax	400,000.00	
Law Stamps	400,000.00	
Motion Picture Censorship and Theatre Inspection	190,000.00	
Province of Ontario Savings Office	296,500.00	
		67,615,541.16
PUBLIC WELFARE		340.00
PUBLIC WORKS		60,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS		100,000.00
		115,791,431.16
PROVINCIAL TREASURER—Public Debt Interest	7,291,000.00	
Foreign Exchange	644,000.00	7,935,000.00
		$123,726,431.16

SUMMARY

Gross Ordinary Revenue		$123,726,431.16
Less: Gross Ordinary Expenditure (before providing Provision for Sinking Funds and Maturing Railway Aid Certificates)		109,826,868.05
Surplus: (before providing for Provision for Sinking Funds and Railway Aid Certificates)		13,899,563.11
Less: Provision for Sinking Funds	$5,236,000.00	
Railway Aid Certificates	24,685.44	
		5,260,685.44
Interim Surplus		$ 8,638,877.67

INTERIM STATEMENT OF GROSS CAPITAL RECEIPTS

FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1, 1943—MARCH 31, 1944

10 Months Actual—2 Months Forecast—12 Months

DEPARTMENT	GROSS CAPITAL RECEIPTS		
	Works and Resources, Etc.	Loan Repayments	Trust Fund Deposits
AGRICULTURE	$	$ 2,500.00	$ .....
HIGHWAYS	13,000.00	.....	.....
LANDS AND FORESTS	118,000.00	.....	.....
MINES	41,000.00	.....	.....
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS	.....	15,000.00	.....
PRIME MINISTER:			
Public Service Superannuation Fund	.....	.....	1,449,000.00
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY:			
Main Office and Branches	.....	.....	883.23
PROVINCIAL TREASURER:			
Main Office	6,282,000.00	19,889,000.00	97,000.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Dominion Government—Old Age Pensions and Pensions for the Blind	.....	11,000,000.00	.....
PUBLIC WORKS	393.75	.....	.....
	$6,454,393.75	$30,906,500.00	$1,546,883.23

SUMMARY

Works and Resources	$ 6,454,393.75
Loan Repayments	30,906,500.00
Trust Fund Deposits	1,546,883.23
	$38,907,776.98

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

TEMPORARY LOANS—TREASURY BILLS

Detailed Summary of Estimated Changes for the Fiscal Year to end on March 31st, 1944

As at March 31st, 1943			$43,000,000.00
LESS—Redemptions:			
By Retirement:			
RT-AA—1.75%, on April 16, 1943	$1,000,000.00		
RT-AD—1.75%, on April 17, 1943	2,000,000.00		
RT-AA—1.75%, on July 16, 1943	1,000,000.00		
RT-AL—1.75%, on July 31, 1943	1,000,000.00		
RT-Y—1.75%, on September 3, 1943	1,000,000.00		
RT-AH—1.75%, on September 3, 1943	1,000,000.00	$ 7,000,000.00	
By Renewal:			
RT-X—1.75%, due June 27, 1943		2,000,000.00	
By Refunding into Debentures:			
RT-AB—1.75%, on September 1, 1943	$5,000,000.00		
RT-AB—1.75%, on September 1, 1943	5,000,000.00		
RT-U—1.75%, on September 1, 1943	10,000,000.00		
RT-Z—1.75%, on September 1, 1943	3,000,000.00		
RT-AJ—1.75%, on September 1, 1943	2,000,000.00		
RT-AF—1.75%, on September 13, 1943	5,000,000.00		
RT-AK—1.75%, on September 13, 1943	4,000,000.00	34,000,000.00	43,000,000.00
ADD—New Issues:			
EZ—1.75% (Disc.), due April 15, 1944		$ 1,000,000.00	
RT-X—1.75% (Disc.), due June 27, 1944		2,000,000.00	3,000,000.00
Estimated as at March 31st, 1944			$ 3,000,000.00

Total Redemptions	$43,000,000.00
LESS—New Issues	3,000,000.00
NET DECREASE	$40,000,000.00

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

THE FUNDED DEBT OF ONTARIO

Detailed Summary of Estimated Changes for the Fiscal Year to end of March 31st, 1944

As at March 31st, 1943 (after deducting Sinking Funds)		$610,404,929.97
ADD—Sale of Debentures:		
RX—1¾%, due September 1st, 1944-45	$ 4,000,000.00	
RX—1¾%, due June 1st, 1946	1,000,000.00	
RV—1¾%, due March 13th, 1944-46	9,000,000.00	
RW—1¾%, due September 1st, 1945	20,000,000.00	
RY—1¾%, due September 15th, 1944-47	4,000,000.00	
RY—3%, due September 15th, 1952-55	6,000,000.00	
TF-A—3%, due January 1st, 1947	500,000.00	
TF-B—3⅛%, due January 1st, 1952	800,000.00	
TF-C—3¼%, due January 1st, 1962	600,000.00	
TF-E—3¼%, due January 1st, 1962	2,500,000.00	
TF-D—3½%, due April 15th, 1972	3,150,000.00	
TI—4½%, due November 1st, 1952	2,000,000.00	53,550,000.00
		$663,954,929.97
LESS—Redemptions:		
RM—2%, due May 1st, 1943	$ 1,250,000.00	
AL—4%, due May 15th, 1943	565,000.00	
AP—4½%, due May 15th, 1943	500,000.00	
AS—4%, due June 1st, 1943	486,000.00	
RK—1½%, due June 1st, 1943	1,200,000.00	
UU&XX—6%, due September 15th, 1943	14,156,000.00	
WW&YY—6%, due September 15th, 1943	12,493,000.00	
AK—4½%, due November 1st, 1943	800,000.00	
RQ—2%, due November 1st, 1943	1,200,000.00	
RS—2%, due November 1st, 1943	1,050,000.00	
AH—4½%, due December 1st, 1943	700,000.00	
AJ—4½%, due January 15th, 1944	800,000.00	
AR—4½%, due January 15th, 1944	441,000.00	
RB—2½%, due January 15th, 1944	1,000,000.00	
BK—2½%, due March 1st, 1944	3,000,000.00	
RV—1¾%, due March 13th, 1944-46	7,000,000.00	
RW—1¾%, due September 1st, 1945	2,000,000.00	
	$48,641,000.00	
Railway Aid Certificates	24,685.44	
Increase in Sinking Funds—Current Year	5,305,400.00	53,971,085.44
Estimated as at March 31st, 1944 (after deducting Sinking Funds)		$609,983,844.53

Total Redemptions	$53,971,085.44
LESS—New Issue	53,550,000.00
NET DECREASE	$ 421,085.44

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

CONTINGENT LIABILITIES, BONDS, ETC., GUARANTEED BY THE PROVINCE

(Estimated as at March 31st, 1944)

Total as per Public Accounts, March 31st, 1943		$122,734,860.52
ADD—New Guarantees or Increases for the fiscal year to end on March 31st, 1944—		
Co-operative Associations	$ 21,468.30	
Park Commissions	6,000.00	
Power Commission	7,500,000.00	7,527,468.30
		$130,262,328.82
LESS—Principal Maturities redeemed or to be redeemed during the fiscal year to end on March 31st, 1944—		
Housing	$ 35,959.97	
Municipalities	47,302.12	
Park Commissions	141,000.00	
Power Commission	3,775,000.00	
Railways	2,496,205.00	
Schools	227,580.35	
Universities	108,413.37	6,831,460.81
		$123,430,868.01
LESS—Sinking Fund Deposits for the fiscal year to end on March 31st, 1944		22,000.00
Estimated Contingent Liability of the Province as at March 31st, 1944		$123,408,868.01

SUMMARY

Estimated Contingent Liability of the Province as at March 31st, 1944	$123,408,868.01
Contingent Liability of the Province as at March 31st, 1943	122,734,860.52
Estimated Increase	$ 674,007.49

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

DETAIL SUMMARY ACCOUNTING FOR ESTIMATED DECREASE IN GROSS DEBT

For the Fiscal Year to end on March 31st, 1944

Gross Debt as at March 31st, 1943			$704,864,361.10
Estimated Gross Debt as at March 31st, 1944			667,354,385.31
Estimated Decrease as at March 31st, 1944			$ 37,509,975.79
Gross Debt Decreased by:			
Surplus—			
Surplus on Ordinary Account	$ 8,638,877.67		
Retirement of Railway Aid Certificates	24,685.44		
Sinking Fund Provision	5,236,000.00		
		$13,899,563.11	
Discount on Debentures, etc., written off		1,030,000.00	
Earnings on Sinking Fund Investments		16,000.00	
Loan Repayments—			
Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario	$15,762,017.40		
Agricultural Development Board	3,633,982.60		
Loans to Municipalities (Net)	199,500.00		
		19,595,500.00	
Decrease in Cash in Banks		8,320,754.41	
			$ 42,861,817.52
Gross Debt Increased by:			
Capital Disbursements—			
Highways, Public Buildings, Public Works, etc.		$ 3,347,638.43	
Less Capital Receipts		172,393.75	
		$ 3,175,244.68	
Payment re Guaranteed Debentures (Net)		2,053,000.00	
Discount on Debentures, etc., issued during year		123,597.05	
			5,351,841.73
Estimated Decrease as at March 31st, 1944			$ 37,509,975.79

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

ESTIMATED DECREASE IN THE NET DEBT

As at March 31st, 1944

As at March 31st, 1943:	
Gross Debt	$704,864,361.10
Less Revenue Producing and Realizable Assets	209,423,069.77
Net Debt	$495,441,291.33
As at March 31st, 1944:	
Estimated Gross Debt	$667,354,385.31
Less Estimated Revenue Producing and Realizable Assets	183,985,815.36
Estimated Net Debt	$483,368,569.95
Estimated Decrease in Net Debt	$ 12,072,721.38

GROSS DEBENTURE DEBT SCHEDULE

ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES

1925–1942

(000's Omitted)

Classification	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930
Cities	295,679	300,694	310,955	307,959	316,940	344,605
Towns and Villages	61,186	64,143	65,710	68,948	73,819	71,064
Townships	31,820	32,763	42,373	43,255	45,029	51,745
Total Local Municipalities	388,685	397,600	419,038	420,162	435,788	467,414
Counties	16,494	15,875	15,429	15,751	16,148	17,866
Total Gross Debt	405,179	413,475	434,467	435,913	451,936	485,280

Classification	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Cities	351,079	357,226	353,181	343,947	335,423	321,032
Towns and Villages	74,988	74,035	73,641	70,455	62,806	57,014
Townships	54,979	54,992	49,710	53,035	47,656	38,939
Total Local Municipalities	481,046	486,253	476,532	467,437	445,885	416,985
Counties	17,956	18,503	17,902	16,515	15,768	14,561
Total Gross Debt	499,002	504,756	494,434	483,952	461,653	431,546

Classification	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942
Cities	323,768	306,429	287,593	263,863	241,327	218,561
Towns and Villages	51,945	51,161	50,269	49,593	45,482	41,893
Townships	36,996	35,152	40,361	43,746	41,840	39,687
Total Local Municipalities	412,709	392,742	378,223	357,202	328,649	300,141
Counties	13,035	11,549	9,979	8,374	6,751	5,279
Total Gross Debt	425,744	404,291	388,202	365,576	335,400	305,420

TAX LEVY SCHEDULE

ONTARIO MUNICIPALITIES

1925–1942

(000's Omitted)

Classification	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929	1930
Cities	57,465	58,047	60,775	63,057	66,616	71,238
Towns and Villages	15,977	16,717	17,702	18,415	18,608	19,403
Townships	24,500	27,382	27,599	29,339	30,563	32,090
Total	97,942	102,146	106,076	110,811	115,787	122,731

Classification	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936
Cities	77,571	77,251	74,479	72,551	74,117	73,514
Towns and Villages	19,947	20,483	19,334	18,880	17,696	17,687
Townships	31,139	29,101	26,618	24,826	25,653	26,687
Total	128,657	126,835	120,431	116,257	117,466	117,888

Classification	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942
Cities	73,370	73,085	71,037	71,164	68,558	66,297
Towns and Villages	17,406	17,610	17,377	17,583	17,555	17,721
Townships	25,729	25,695	25,841	26,174	26,143	26,259
Total	116,505	116,390	114,255	114,921	112,256	110,277

BUDGET FORECAST OF ORDINARY REVENUE

FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1, 1944—MARCH 31, 1945

DEPARTMENT	Gross Ordinary Revenue		Application of Revenue to Expenditure	Net Ordinary Revenue	
AGRICULTURE		$ 300,000.00			$ 300,000.00
ATTORNEY-GENERAL		896,750.00	$ 185,550.00		711,200.00
EDUCATION		50,000.00			50,000.00
GAME AND FISHERIES		950,000.00			950,000.00
HEALTH:					
Main Office and Branches	$ 203,560.00		3,000.00	$ 200,560.00	
Hospitals Branch	1,553,300.00	1,756,860.00	10,000.00	1,543,300.00	1,743,860.00
HIGHWAYS:					
Main Office and Branches	10,000.00			10,000.00	
Gasoline Tax Branch	26,608,290.59			26,608,290.59	
Miscellaneous Permits Branch	50,000.00			50,000.00	
Motor Vehicles Branch	7,000,000.00	33,668,290.59		7,000,000.00	33,668,290.59
INSURANCE		200,000.00			200,000.00
LABOUR		90,000.00	5,000.00		85,000.00
LANDS AND FORESTS		5,400,000.00			5,400,000.00
LEGISLATION		9,700.00			9,700.00
MINES		1,756,875.00	5,000.00		1,751,875.00
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS:					
Main Office and Municipal Board		14,000.00			14,000.00
PRIME MINISTER:					
King's Printer—Ontario Gazette		16,000.00			16,000.00
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY:					
Main Office and Registrar-General's Branch	255,000.00			255,000.00	
Reformatories and Prisons Branch	775,000.00	1,030,000.00	569,000.00	206,000.00	461,000.00
PROVINCIAL TREASURER:					
Main Office—Subsidy	3,155,007.48			3,155,007.48	
Interest	71,229.86			71,229.86	
Liquor Control Board	16,312,616.49			16,312,616.49	
Controller of Revenue Branch:					
Succession Duty	11,600,000.00			11,600,000.00	
Corporations Tax Subvention	20,960,450.85			20,960,450.85	
Income Tax Subvention	6,751,037.95			6,751,037.95	
Corporations Tax	1,000,000.00			1,000,000.00	
Income Tax	350,000.00			350,000.00	
Race Tracks	2,000,000.00			2,000,000.00	
Security Transfer Tax	400,000.00			400,000.00	
Land Transfer Tax	400,000.00			400,000.00	
Law Stamps	400,000.00			400,000.00	
Motion Picture Censorship and Theatre Inspection Branch	185,000.00			185,000.00	
Province of Ontario Savings Office	303,835.00	63,889,177.63	303,835.00		63,585,342.63
PUBLIC WORKS		48,000.00	3,000.00		45,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS		100,000.00	100,000.00		
		$110,175,653.22	$1,184,385.00		$108,991,268.22
PUBLIC DEBT—Interest, etc.		6,560,377.50	6,560,377.50		
Foreign Exchange		597,000.00	597,000.00		
TOTAL		$117,333,030.72	$8,341,762.50		$108,991,268.22

SUMMARY

Net Ordinary Revenue	$108,991,268.22
Less: Net Ordinary Expenditure (before provision for Sinking Fund and Railway Aid Certificates)	103,469,990.87
Surplus (before provision for Sinking Funds and Railway Aid Certificates)	$ 5,521,277.35
Less: Provision for Sinking Funds and Railway Aid Certificates	5,311,478.29
SURPLUS FORECAST	$ 209,799.06

BUDGET FORECAST OF ORDINARY EXPENDITURE

FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1, 1944—MARCH 31, 1945

DEPARTMENT	Gross Ordinary Expenditure		Application of Revenue to Expenditure	Net Ordinary Expenditure	
AGRICULTURE		$ 6,071,379.75			$ 6,071,379.75
ATTORNEY-GENERAL		3,273,595.00	$ 185,550.00		3,088,045.00
EDUCATION		16,053,743.43			16,053,743.43
GAME AND FISHERIES		680,000.00			680,000.00
HEALTH:					
Main Office and Branches	$ 2,240,535.00		3,000.00	$ 2,237,535.00	
Hospitals Branch	11,372,770.00	13,613,305.00	10,000.00	11,362,770.00	13,600,305.00
HIGHWAYS:					
Main Office and Branches	13,772,800.00			13,772,800.00	
Motor Vehicles Branch	266,000.00	14,038,800.00		266,000.00	14,038,800.00
INSURANCE		64,100.00			64,100.00
LABOUR		445,231.55	5,000.00		440,231.55
LANDS AND FORESTS		3,120,081.00			3,120,081.00
LEGISLATION		264,700.00			264,700.00
LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR		10,175.00			10,175.00
MINES		372,250.00	5,000.00		367,250.00
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS:					
Main Office and Municipal Board	149,822.00			149,822.00	
Subsidies—					
(a) 1 Mill to cities, towns, incorporated villages and townships	3,100,000.00			3,100,000.00	
(b) 1 Mill to cities, towns, incorporated villages and townships—to be applied in reduction of cost of education assessed against Real Property	3,100,000.00	6,349,822.00		3,100,000.00	6,349,822.00
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT		100,000.00			100,000.00
PRIME MINISTER		139,720.00			139,720.00
PROVINCIAL AUDITOR		126,000.00			126,000.00
PROVINCIAL SECRETARY:					
Main Office and Registrar-General's Branch	185,635.00			185,635.00	
Reformatories and Prisons Branch	2,086,000.00	2,271,635.00	569,000.00	1,517,000.00	1,702,635.00
PROVINCIAL TREASURER:					
Main Office	611,500.00			611,500.00	
Statistics and Research	22,275.00			22,275.00	
Controller of Revenue Branch	289,960.00			289,960.00	
Motion Picture Censorship and Theatre Inspection Branch	43,325.00			43,325.00	
Travel and Publicity Bureau	78,000.00			78,000.00	
Post Office	174,915.00			174,915.00	
Savings Office	303,835.00	1,523,810.00	303,835.00		1,219,975.00
PUBLIC WELFARE:					
Main Office	293,700.00			293,700.00	
Children's Aid Branch	223,700.00			223,700.00	
Day Nurseries Branch	369,625.00			369,625.00	
Old Age and Pensions for the Blind	7,088,850.00			7,088,850.00	
Mothers' Allowance Commission	4,332,800.00			4,332,800.00	
Unemployment Relief	1,065,000.00	13,373,675.00		1,065,000.00	13,373,675.00
PUBLIC WORKS		808,600.00	3,000.00		805,600.00
MISCELLANEOUS		100,000.00	100,000.00		
		$82,800,622.73	$ 1,184,385.00		$81,616,237.73
PUBLIC DEBT—Interest	$26,397,130.64		6,560,377.50	19,836,753.14	
Foreign Exchange	2,614,000.00		597,000.00	2,017,000.00	
Sinking Fund Instalments and Railway Aid Certificates	5,311,478.29	34,322,608.93		5,311,478.29	27,165,231.43
TOTAL		$117,123,231.66	$ 8,341,762.50		$108,781,469.16

BUDGET FORECAST OF CAPITAL RECEIPTS

FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1, 1944—MARCH 31, 1945

DEPARTMENT	CAPITAL RECEIPTS		
	Works and Resources, etc.	Loan Repayments	Trust Fund Deposits
AGRICULTURE	.....	$ 3,000.00	.....
HIGHWAYS	$ 5,000.00	.....	.....
LANDS AND FORESTS	75,000.00	.....	.....
MINES	30,000.00	.....	.....
MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS	.....	14,000.00	.....
PRIME MINISTER:			
Public Service Superannuation Fund	.....	.....	1,345,000.00
PROVINCIAL TREASURER:			
Main Office	6,321,376.11	15,375,947.72	63,676.17
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Dominion Government—			
Old Age Pensions and Pensions for the Blind	.....	13,036,000.00	.....
	$6,431,376.11	$28,428,947.72	$1,408,676.17

SUMMARY

Works and Resources	$ 6,431,376.11
Loan Repayments	28,428,947.72
Trust Fund Deposits	1,408,676.17
	$36,269,000.00

BUDGET FORECAST OF CAPITAL PAYMENTS

FISCAL YEAR APRIL 1, 1944—MARCH 31, 1945

DEPARTMENT	CAPITAL PAYMENTS		
	Works and Resources, Etc.	Loan Advances	Trust Fund Repayments
AGRICULTURE	.....	$ 25,000.00	.....
HIGHWAYS	$4,000,000.00	.....	.....
PRIME MINISTER:			
Public Service Superannuation Fund	.....	.....	$ 975,000.00
PROVINCIAL TREASURER	1,000,000.00	1,147,963.97	374,036.03
PUBLIC WELFARE:			
Dominion Government:			
Old Age Pensions and Pensions for the Blind	.....	13,036,000.00	.....
PUBLIC WORKS	491,500.00	.....	.....
	$5,491,500.00	$14,208,963.97	$1,349,036.03

SUMMARY

Works and Resources	$ 5,491,500.00
Loan Advances	14,208,963.97
Trust Fund Repayments	1,349,036.03
	$21,049,500.00

The House then adjourned at 5.10 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 58), intituled, "An Act to provide Financial Protection for Members of the Armed Forces." *Mr. Drew.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 59), intituled, "An Act to provide Protection for Life Insurance Policies of Members of the Armed Forces." *Mr. Drew.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 60), intituled, "An Act to amend The Active Service Moratorium Act, 1943." *Mr. Drew.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 61), intituled, "The Liquor Authority Control Act, 1944." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 62), intituled, "An Act to amend The Liquor Control Act." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 63), intituled, "An Act respecting Slot Machines." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 5), An Act respecting L'Union St. Joseph du Canada.

Bill (No. 6), An Act respecting the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported be severally read the third time on Monday next.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 4), An Act respecting the Township of Scarborough.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 8), An Act respecting the County of Essex.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 19), An Act respecting the City of Ottawa Public School Board.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 53), The Cheese and Hog Subsidy Act, 1944, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 54), An Act to amend The Credit Unions Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 56), An Act respecting the Guardianship of the Dionne Quintuplets, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 57), An Act to enable Municipalities to establish Health Services, having been read, and a debate arising,

After some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Dennison,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Monday next.

The Minister of Health laid on the Table Report of the Joint Study Committee regarding a Survey of Hospital Bed Accommodation. (*Sessional Papers No. 46.*)

The House then adjourned at 4.35 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 20TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting a subsidy to be paid on the production of Cheese and Hogs.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That during such periods between the 1st day of April, 1944, and the 31st day of March, 1945, as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may prescribe, a subsidy shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund—

(*a*) to every person who produces milk in Ontario which is subsequently produced into cheese, of an amount to be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, not exceeding two cents for each pound of cheese produced from such milk; and

(*b*) to every person who produces hogs in Ontario and sells them through regular trade channels to be processed, of an amount, to be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, not exceeding $1 for each hog so produced, sold and processed.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved, That during such periods between the 1st day of April, 1944, and the 31st day of March, 1945, as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may prescribe, a subsidy shall be payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund—

(*a*) to every person who produces milk in Ontario which is subsequently produced into cheese, of an amount to be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, not exceeding two cents for each pound of cheese produced from such milk; and

(*b*) to every person who produces hogs in Ontario and sells them through regular trade channels to be processed, of an amount, to be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, not exceeding $1 for each hog so produced, sold and processed.

This Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the House on Bill (No. 53), The Cheese and Hog Subsidy Act, 1944.

On motion of Mr. Vivian, seconded by Mr. Drew,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Health Services in Municipalities.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That the expenses incurred by the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor in Council in furnishing Municipal Health Services to residents of any area which is without municipal organization and does not form part of a school section and the contributions made by the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to any municipality pursuant to the provisions of Bill (No. 57), An Act to enable Municipalities to Establish Health Services, shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved, That the expenses incurred by the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor in Council in furnishing Municipal Health Services to residents of any area which is without municipal organization and does not form part of a school section and the contributions made by the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to any municipality pursuant to the provisions of Bill No. (57), An Act to enable Municipalities to Establish Health Services, shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the House on Bill (No. 57), An Act to enable Municipalities to establish Health Services.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 5), An Act respecting L'Union St. Joseph du Canada.

Bill (No. 6), An Act respecting the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden.

Bill (No. 53), The Cheese and Hog Subsidy Act, 1944.

Bill (No. 56), An Act respecting the Guardianship of the Dionne Quintuplets.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 1), An Act respecting the Town of Leaside.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 4), An Act respecting the Township of Scarborough.

Bill (No. 8), An Act respecting the County of Essex.

Bill (No. 19), An Act respecting the City of Ottawa Public School Board.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported be severally read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 57), An Act to enable Municipalities to establish Health Services, having been read, the debate continued,

After some time, it was on the motion of Mr. Millard,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

The House then adjourned at 5.55 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 21ST, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Reynolds, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented their Third Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill (No. 12), An Act respecting the Ottawa Civic Hospital.

Bill (No. 14), An Act respecting the Boards of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

Bill (No. 15), An Act respecting the Town of Fort Erie.

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 3), An Act respecting the City of Fort William.

Bill (No. 9), An Act respecting Victoria University.

Your Committee would recommend that the fees less the penalties, if any, and the actual cost of printing be remitted on Bills (Nos. 9, 12 and 14), An Act respecting Victoria University, An Act respecting the Ottawa Civic Hospital, and An Act respecting the Boards of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec, on the ground that they relate to educational, charitable and religious institutions respectively.

Ordered, That the fees, less the penalties, if any, and the actual cost of printing be remitted on Bills (Nos. 9, 12 and 14), An Act respecting Victoria University, An Act respecting the Ottawa Civic Hospital, and An Act respecting the Boards of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec, on the ground that they relate to educational, charitable and religious institutions respectively.

Mr. Stewart (Kingston) from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented their Third and Final Report which was read as follows, and adopted:—

Your Committee has carefully examined the following Petitions and finds the Notices as published in each case sufficient:—

Of Victor Roets, Constantin Van Gool and Leopold Constandt, praying that an Act may pass constituting a corporate body to be known as Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province in Canada.

Of the Corporation of the City of London, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the City to include one mill in the annual tax rate for public park purposes instead of one-half mill as heretofore.

Of the Corporation of the City of Welland, praying that an Act may pass authorizing the City to grant the sum of $50,000 to the Welland-Crowland Health and Recreational Centre towards the cost of construction of an arena.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time.

Bill (No. 13), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province in Canada." *Mr. Gordon.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 17), intituled, "An Act respecting the City of London." *Mr. Webster.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 18), intituled, "An Act respecting the City of Welland." *Mr. Brown.*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 4), An Act respecting the Township of Scarborough.

Bill (No. 8), An Act respecting the County of Essex.

Bill (No. 19), An Act respecting the City of Ottawa Public School Board.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 57), An Act to enable Municipalities to establish Health Services, having been read, the debate continued,

After some time, the motion having been put, was carried and the Bill was accordingly read the second time and

Referred to the Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion. That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read, the debate continued,

After some time it was on the motion of Mr. Wismer,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22ND, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider the following Bill:—

Bill (No. 1), An Act respecting the Town of Leaside.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill reported be read the third time to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 3), An Act respecting the City of Fort William.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 9), An Act respecting Victoria University.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 12), An Act respecting the Ottawa Civic Hospital.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 14), An Act respecting the Boards of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 15), An Act respecting the Town of Fort Erie.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 58), An Act to provide Financial Protection for Members of the Armed Forces.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 59), An Act to provide Protection for Life Insurance Policies of Members of the Armed Forces.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 60), An Act to amend The Active Service Moratorium Act, 1943.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 57), An Act to enable Municipalities to establish Health Services, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report progress, and ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read, the debate continued,

After some time it was on the motion of Mr. Kelly,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

The Prime Minister laid on the Table interim reports of the Ontario Mining Commission on "Regulations Governing the Financing of Mining Developments," "The Necessity for and the Methods of Stimulating Prospecting in Ontario" and "The Haileybury School of Mines." (*Sessional Papers No. 47.*)

The House then adjourned at 10.40 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 23RD, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Reynolds, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented their Fourth Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee beg to report the following Bill without amendment:—

Bill (No. 2), An Act respecting the City of Brantford.

Your Committee beg to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 16), An Act respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 21), An Act respecting the Township of North Monaghan.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 64), intituled, "An Act to amend The Factory, Shop and Office Building Act." *Mr. Daley.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to consider the problem of the development and processing of the lignite deposits in Ontario and that the Report of the Fuel Commission on the progress made in such development be referred to the said Committee; such Committee to consist of fifteen members.

The House again resolved into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 57), An Act to enable Municipalities to establish Health Services, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 58), An Act to provide Financial Protection for Members of the Armed Forces, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 59), An Act to provide Protection for Life Insurance Policies of Members of the Armed Forces, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 60), An Act to amend The Active Service Moratorium Act, 1943, and, after some time

spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 3), An Act respecting the City of Fort William.

Bill (No. 9), An Act respecting Victoria University.

Bill (No. 12), An Act respecting the Ottawa Civic Hospital.

Bill (No. 14), An Act respecting the Boards of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

Bill (No. 15), An Act respecting the Town of Fort Erie.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported be severally read the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read, the debate continued,

After some time it was on the motion of Mr. Robinson (Waterloo South),

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

Mr. Drew laid on the Table a report by the Fuel Commission of Ontario regarding the Onakawana Lignite Deposit. (*Sessional Papers No. 48.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.00 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 65), intituled, "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." *Mr. Porter.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 66), intituled, "An Act to amend The Assessment Act." *Mr. Porter.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 67), intituled, "An Act to amend The Assessment Act." *Mr. Dennison.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 68), intituled, "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." *Mr. Connor.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Blackwell, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting payment of salaries and other remuneration of members of The Liquor Authority Control Board.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That the salaries and other remuneration of the members of The Liquor Authority Control Board, the registrar, deputy registrars, officials, inspectors and employees of the Board and all other expenses of the Board, all purchase moneys paid in respect of the purchase of authorized premises or any shareholding interest therein pursuant to the provisions of Bill (No. 61), "The Liquor Authority Control Act, 1944," and all compensation paid to authority holders pursuant to the said Act in respect of premises which are disqualified from holding authorities for a cause which is not the fault of or is beyond the control of the authority holder, shall be paid by the Treasurer of Ontario out of the net income of The Liquor Control Board of Ontario.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved, That the salaries and other remuneration of the members of The Liquor Authority Control Board, the registrar, deputy registrars, officials, inspectors and employees of the Board and all other expenses of the Board, all purchase moneys paid in respect of the purchase of authorized premises or any shareholding interest therein pursuant to the provisions of Bill (No. 61), "The Liquor Authority Control Act, 1944", and all compensation paid to authority holders pursuant to the said Act in respect of premises which are disqualified from holding authorities for a cause which is not the fault of or is beyond the control of the authority holder, shall be paid by the Treasurer of Ontario out of the net income of The Liquor Control Board of Ontario.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the House on Bill (No. 61), The Liquor Authority Control Act, 1944.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the payment of remuneration and expenses of The Active Service Life Insurance Protection Board.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That the remuneration and expenses of The Active Service Life Insurance Protection Board established under Bill (No. 59), "An Act to provide protection for Life Insurance Policies of Members of the Armed Forces" as well as payments of premiums and other charges on life insurance policies of members of the forces made by the Treasurer of Ontario pursuant to the said Bill, shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved, That the remuneration and expenses of The Active Service Life Insurance Protection Board established under Bill (No. 59), "An Act to provide protection for Life Insurance Policies of Members of the Armed Forces" as well as payments of premiums and other charges on life insurance policies of members of the forces made by the Treasurer of Ontario pursuant to the said Bill, shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the House on Bill (No. 59), An Act to provide protection for Life Insurance Policies of Members of the Armed Forces.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 1), An Act respecting the Town of Leaside.

Bill (No. 58), An Act to provide Financial Protection for Members of the Armed Forces.

Bill (No. 59), An Act to provide Protection for Life Insurance Policies of Members of the Armed Forces.

Bill (No. 60), An Act to amend The Active Service Moratorium Act, 1943.

Bill (No. 3), An Act respecting the City of Fort William.

Bill (No. 9), An Act respecting Victoria University.

Bill (No. 12), An Act respecting the Ottawa Civic Hospital.

Bill (No. 14), An Act respecting the Boards of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

Bill (No. 15), An Act respecting the Town of Fort Erie.

The following Bills were severally read the second time.—

Bill (No. 2), An Act respecting the City of Brantford.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 16), An Act respecting the Township of York.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 21), An Act respecting the Township of North Monaghan.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 61), The Liquor Authority Control Act, 1944.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 62), An Act to amend The Liquor Control Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 63), An Act respecting Slot Machines.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read, the debate continued

After some time it was on the motion of Mr. Leavens,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That the Select Committee authorized by this House to consider the problem of the development and processing of the lignite deposits in Ontario be composed as follows:—

Messrs. Roberts (Chairman), Arnott, Dennison, Downie, Grummett, Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox), Hunt, Kehoe, MacLeod, Miller, Overall, Porter, Pringle, Taylor (Temiskaming) and Webster.

The quorum of the said Committee to consist of five members.

The House then adjourned at 4.55 p.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 27TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Duckworth, from the Standing Committee on Labour, presented their Report, which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee has carefully considered the provisions of Bill (No. 43), "An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act". Your Committee does not approve the Act in its present form and therefore reports the Bill back to the House with a request that it be given further consideration.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 69), intituled, "An Act to amend The Public Health Act." *Mr. Vivian.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 70), intituled, "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." *Mr Dennison.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 71), intituled, "An Act to authorize the application of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations made under the War Measures Act (Canada) to certain employees and employers and to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Labour Relations Board." *Mr. Daley.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 72), intituled, "An Act to amend The Judicature Act." *Mr. Daley.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 73), intituled, "An Act respecting the Rights of Labour." *Mr. Daley.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 74), intituled, "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." *Mr. Mitchell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the Third Reading of Bill (No. 57), An Act to enable Municipalities to establish Health Services, having been read, Mr. Vivian moved that the Bill be now read a third time.

Mr. Jolliffe moved in amendment, seconded by Miss MacPhail,

That the Order for the Third Reading of Bill No. 57 be discharged and the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole for further consideration.

The amendment having been put was declared lost.

The motion for Third Reading being then submitted was carried on the following Division:—

YEAS

Belanger
Blackwell
Challies
Daley
Dickson
Doucett
Downie
Drew
Duckworth
Dunbar
Frost
Goodfellow
Hall
Hanna
Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox)
Hepburn (Elgin)
Hunt
Johnston
Kelly
Laurier
Miller
Murdoch
Murphy
McDonald
McEwing
McIntyre
McPhee
Nixon
Oliver
Patrick
Patterson
Porter
Pringle
Reynolds
Roberts
Scott
Stewart (Kingston)
Taylor (Huron)
Thompson
Vivian—40

NAYS

Bennett
Brown
Carlin
Casselman
Connor
Cook
Dennison
Docker
Grummett
Hancock
Harvey
Jolliffe
Kehoe
Leavens
Lockhart
Luckock
MacLeod
Macphail
Millard
Mitchell
Overall
Riggs
Robertson
Robinson (Waterloo, South)
Salsberg
Smith
Steel
Strange
Taylor (Temiskaming)
Thornberry
Warren
Williams
Wismer—33

And the Bill was read a third time and was passed.

The following Bill was read the second time:—

Bill (No. 64), An Act to amend The Factory, Shop and Office Building Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 2), An Act respecting the City of Brantford.

Bill (No. 16), An Act respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 21), An Act respecting the Township of North Monaghan.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported be severally read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 61), The Liquor Authority Control Act, 1944, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 62), An Act to amend The Liquor Control Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 63), An Act respecting Slot Machines, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report progress, and ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the motion, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read, the debate continued.

After some time it was on the motion of Mr. Salsberg,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.45 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 28TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Reynolds, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented their Fifth Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill (No. 18), An Act respecting the City of Welland.

Bill (No. 13), An Act to Incorporate the Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province in Canada.

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 10), An Act respecting the Township of North York.

Bill (No. 17), An Act respecting the City of London.

Your Committee would recommend that the fees less the penalties, if any, and the actual cost of printing be remitted on Bill (No. 13), An Act to incorporate the Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province in Canada, on the ground that it relates to a religious institution.

Ordered, That the fees less the penalties, if any, and the actual cost of printing be remitted on Bill (No. 13), An Act to incorporate the Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province in Canada, on the ground that it relates to a religious institution.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 2), An Act respecting the City of Brantford.

Bill (No. 16), An Act respecting the Township of York.

Bill (No. 21), An Act respecting the Township of North Monaghan.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 43), "An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act," having been read, it was, on motion by Mr. Daley,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for resuming the Adjourned Debate on the Motion

that Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, and that the House resolve itself into the Committee of Supply, having been read,

The Debate was resumed,

And after some time, Mr. Joliffe moved, seconded by Miss Macphail, That the motion be amended by the addition of the following words:

> This House, however, regrets that His Majesty's advisers have not seen fit to acknowledge the necessity of undertaking measures on a fully democratic basis towards the planned development of the natural resources of this province and the social ownership of monopoly enterprises for the purpose of assuring full employment, adequate farm prices and comprehensive social services.

The amendment having been put, was lost on the following Division:—

YEAS

Alles
Bennett
Brown
Carlin
Casselman
Dennison
Docker
Grummett
Hancock
Harvey
Jolliffe
Kehoe
Leavens
Lockhart
Luckock
Macphail
Millard
Overall
Riggs
Robinson (Waterloo, South)
Smith
Steel
Strange
Taylor (Temiskaming)
Thornberry
Williams
Wismer—27

NAYS

Acres
Arnott
Bégin
Belanger
Blackwell
Challies
Daley
Dent
Dickson
Doucett
Downer
Downie
Drew
Duckworth
Dunbar
Frost
Goodfellow
Hall
Hanna
Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox)
Hepburn (Elgin)
Hunt
Johnston
Kelly
MacGillivray
MacLeod
Miller
Murdoch
Murphy
Murray
McDonald
McEwing
McIntyre
McPhee
Nixon
Oliver
Patrick
Patterson
Porter
Pringle
Reynolds
Roberts
Robson
Salsberg
Scott
Stewart (Kingston)
Taylor (Huron)
Thompson
Vivian
Webster—50

The main motion having then been put, was carried on the following Division:—

YEAS

Acres
Arnott
Bégin
Belanger
Blackwell
Challies
Daley
Dent
Dickson
Doucett
Downer
Downie
Drew
Duckworth
Dunbar
Frost
Goodfellow
Hall
Hanna
Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox)
Hepburn (Elgin)
Hunt
Johnston
Kelly
MacGillivray
MacLeod
Miller
Murdoch
Murphy
Murray
McDonald
McEwing
McIntyre
McPhee
Nixon
Oliver
Patrick
Patterson
Porter
Pringle
Reynolds
Roberts
Robson
Salsberg
Scott
Stewart (Kingston)
Taylor (Huron)
Thompson
Vivian
Webster—50

NAYS

Alles
Bennett
Brown
Carlin
Casselman
Dennison
Docker
Grummett
Hancock
Harvey
Jolliffe
Kehoe
Leavens
Lockhart
Luckock
Macphail
Millard
Overall
Riggs
Robinson (Waterloo, South)
Smith
Steel
Strange
Taylor (Temiskaming)
Thornberry
Williams
Wismer—27

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1945, the following sum:—

137. To defray the expenses of the Office of Lieutenant-Governor . . $ 10,175.00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The Provincial Secretary presented to the House, by command of the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Department of Public Works for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 8.*)

Also, Report of the Game and Fisheries Department for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 9.*)

Also, Report of the Minister of Public Welfare for the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

Also, Annual Report of the Department of Health for the year 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 14.*)

Also, Annual Report of the Hospital Division, Department of Health, for the year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 15.*)

Also, Annual Report of The Commissioner of the Ontario Provincial Police from January 1st, 1943, to December 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 34.*)

Also, Annual Report of the Inspector of Legal Offices for the year ending 31st December, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

The House then adjourned at 6.20 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 75), intituled, "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." *Mr. Dunbar.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 76), intituled, "An Act to amend The Assessment Act." *Mr. Dunbar.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 77), intituled, "An Act to amend The Game and Fisheries Act." *Mr. Dunbar.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 78), intituled, "An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act." *Mr. Dunbar.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 79), intituled, "An Act to amend The Municipal Drainage Act." *Mr. Dunbar.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 80), intituled, "An Act to amend The Public Utilities Act." *Mr. Dunbar.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 81), intituled, "An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act." *Mr. Daley.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

On motion by Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That the Provincial Auditor be and is hereby authorized to pay the salaries of the Civil Service Employees and other necessary payments following the close of the present fiscal year on March 31st, 1944, and until Supply for the ensuing fiscal year is voted by this House, such payments to be charged to the proper appropriations following the voting of Supply.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 10), An Act respecting the Township of North York.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 13), An Act to incorporate the Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province in Canada.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 17), An Act respecting the City of London.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 18), An Act respecting the City of Welland.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 63), An Act respecting Slot Machines, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 64), An Act to amend The Factory, Shop and Office Building Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1945, the following sums:—

164.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Provincial Treasurer	$ 157,400.00
165.	To defray the expenses of the Bureau of Statistics and Research, Department of Provincial Treasurer	22,275.00
166.	To defray the expenses of the Motion Picture Censorship and Theatre Inspection, Department of Provincial Treasurer	43,325.00
167.	To defray the expenses of the Controller of Revenue Branch, Department of Provincial Treasurer	289,960.00
168.	To defray the expenses of the Post Office, Department of Provincial Treasurer	174,915.00
169.	To defray the expenses of the Travel and Publicity Bureau, Department of Provincial Treasurer	78,000.00
170.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Provincial Treasurer	800,000.00
154.	To defray the expenses of the Office of Provincial Auditor	118,500.00
197.	To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous	100,000.00
135.	To defray the expenses of the Office of the Speaker, Department of Legislation	259,300.00
136.	To defray the expenses of the Office of Crown-in-Chancery, Department of Legislation	5,400.00
138.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Mines	149,050.00

139. To defray the expenses of the Geological Branch, Department of Mines.....$ 62,400.00
140. To defray the expenses of the Mines Inspection Branch, Department of Mines..... 44,500.00
141. To defray the expenses of the Laboratories Branch, Department of Mines..... 46,250.00
142. To defray the expenses of the National Gas Commissioner, Department of Mines..... 19,050.00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.05 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 30TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Scott, from the Standing Committee on Fish and Game, presented their Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee held four meetings.

Delegations were heard from the Northern Ontario Outfitters Association, Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters, Peterborough Fish and Game Protective Association, Georgian Bay Association, Essex County Sportsmen's Association, Northern Ontario Tourist Association, Georgian Bay Commercial Fishermen, Lake Wolsey and Bayfield Sound Camp Owners' Association, Hunting and Field Archers of Ontario, Kenora and Rainy River Camp Owners' Association, Associated Boards of Trade of Northern Ontario, St. Catharines and Niagara District Association, Ontario Bird Dog Association and Halton Game and Fish Protective Association.

Proposed amendments to the Game and Fisheries Act were placed before the Committee for consideration. The Committee expressed approval of the provisions.

Mr. Reynolds, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented their Sixth and Final Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bill with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 20), An Act respecting the City of Toronto.

With respect to Bill (No. 11), An Act respecting the County of York, your Committee begs to recommend that this Bill be not reported, it having been withdrawn by the petitioners.

Your Committee would also recommend that the fees, less the penalties, if any, and the actual cost of printing be remitted on this Bill.

Ordered, That the fees less the penalties, if any, and the actual cost of printing, be remitted on Bill (No. 11), An Act respecting the County of York, the same having been withdrawn by the petitioners.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 82), intituled, "An Act respecting the Practice of Chiropody." *Mr. Scott.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 83), intituled, "An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act." *Mr. Belanger.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 84), intituled, "An Act to amend The Workmen's Compensation Act." *Mr. Strange.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Mr. Millard asked the following Question (No. 17):—

1. Are employees of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission considered to be employees of the Government. 2. Are employees of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission covered by Unemployment Insurance regulations. 3. Are the provisions of Order-in-Council P.C. 9384 in respect to the cost of living bonus applicable to the employees of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission.

The Honourable Mr. Challies replied as follows:—

1. No. 2. Yes. 3. Yes.

Mr. Riggs asked the following Question (No. 18):—

1. Is more than one organization of auditors now engaged on audit work at

Queen's Park or at the Hydro-Electric Power Commission Offices. 2. If so, what is the name of each organization. 3. What are the duties of each organization. 4. Is it proposed to continue the services of more than one of these organizations indefinitely.

The Honourable the Prime Minister replied as follows:—

(*a*) 1. At the Hydro-Electric Power Commission Offices—Yes. 2. Oscar Hudson & Company; Clarkson, Gordon, Dilworth & Nash. 3. Oscar Hudson & Company are auditing the accounts for the year 1943. Clarkson, Gordon, Dilworth & Nash are auditing the accounts for the year 1944. 4. No. 1 (*b*) At Queen's Park—No. 2, 3 and 4. Answered by (*b*) 1.

On motion of Mr. Daley, seconded by Mr. Thompson,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the payment of expenses under the Wartime Labour Relations Board.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That the expenses of the Province incurred in carrying out the provisions of Bill (No. 71), "An Act to authorize the application of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations made under the War Measures Act (Canada) to certain Employees and Employers and to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Labour Relations Board" and of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved, That the expenses of the Province incurred in carrying out the provisions of Bill (No. 71), "An Act to authorize the application of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations made under the War Measures Act (Canada) to certain Employees and Employers and to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Labour Relations Board" and of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the House on Bill (No. 71), An Act to authorize the application of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations made under the War Measures Act (Canada) to certain employees and employers and to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Labour Relations Board.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 54), An Act to amend The Credit Unions Act.

Bill (No. 61), The Liquor Authority Control Act, 1944.

Bill (No. 62), An Act to amend The Liquor Control Act.

Bill (No. 63), An Act respecting Slot Machines.

Bill (No. 64), An Act to amend The Factory, Shop and Office Building Act.

The House resolved itself into a committee, severally to consider the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 10), An Act respecting the Township of North York.

Bill (No. 13), An Act to incorporate the Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province in Canada.

Bill (No. 17), An Act respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 18), An Act respecting the City of Welland.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the several Bills without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bills reported be severally read the third time to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 69), An Act to amend The Public Health Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 71), An Act to authorize the application of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations made under the War Measures Act (Canada) to certain employees and employers and to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Labour Relations Board.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 72), An Act to amend The Judicature Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 73), An Act respecting the Rights of Labour.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 75), An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Law.

Bill (No. 76), An Act to amend The Assessment Act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Law.

Bill (No. 78), An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Law.

Bill (No. 79), An Act to amend The Municipal Drainage Act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Law.

Bill (No. 80), An Act to amend The Public Utilities Act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Law.

Bill (No. 51), An Act to amend The Transportation of Fowl Act.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 65), An Act to amend The Municipal Act, having been read, it was, on motion by Mr. Porter,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 66), An Act to amend The Assessment Act, having been read, it was, on motion of Mr. Porter,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

During the discussion on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 71) the Honourable Member for Ontario, in the course of his remarks, made the statement, "If the Government has such a satisfactory Labour Bill prepared as the Minister of Labour claims why do they not produce it. I believe if they had such a Bill they would be brandishing it from one end of the Province to the other. I believe if they had such a Bill they would produce it."

The Attorney-General rose to a point of order that the Member for Ontario was implying that the Minister of Labour had told a falsehood to the House and Mr. Speaker sustained the point of order and instructed the Member for Ontario to withdraw his statement.

On an appeal by the Member for York South against Mr. Speaker's ruling the Speaker was sustained on the following Division:—

YEAS

Arnott	Hanna	McPhee
Bégin	Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox)	Nixon
Blackwell	Hepburn (Elgin)	Oliver
Challies	Hunt	Patrick
Daley	Johnston	Patterson
Dent	Kelly	Porter
Doucett	Laurier	Pringle
Downer	MacGillivray	Reynolds
Downie	Miller	Roberts
Drew	Murdoch	Robson
Duckworth	Murphy	Scott
Duff	Murray	Stewart (Kingston)
Dunbar	McDonald	Taylor (Huron)
Frost	McEwing	Thompson
Goodfellow	McIntyre	Vivian—46
Hall		

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Alles	Harvey	Robinson (Port Arthur)
Anderson	Jolliffe	Robinson (Waterloo South)
Bennett	Kehoe	
Brown	Leavens	
Carlin	Lockhart	Salsberg
Casselman	Luckock	Smith
Cook	MacLeod	Steel
Dennison	Macphail	Taylor (Temiskaming)
Docker	Millard	
Grummett	Mitchell	Williams
Hancock	Riggs	Wismer—30

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1945, the following sums:—

143. To defray the expenses of the Sulphur Fumes Arbitrator, Department of Mines.....$ 5,000.00
144. To defray the expenses of the Offices of Mining Recorders, Department of Mines..... 34,000.00

The House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock midnight,

Friday, March 31st, 1944.

145. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Mining Commission, Department of Mines.....$ 3,000.00
146. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Fuel Commission, Department of Mines..... 1,000.00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The Honourable the Minister of Health laid on the Table a report by the Commission for the Investigation of Cancer Remedies on the presentation to the Board by Dr. T. J. Glover. (*Sessional Papers No. 49.*)

The House then adjourned at 12.35 a.m. on motion of the Prime Minister to meet at 2 of the clock this afternoon.

FRIDAY, MARCH 31ST, 1944

PRAYERS. 2 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 85), intituled, "An Act to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Stock Yards Board." *Mr. Drew.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 86), intituled, "An Act to amend The Fire Departments Act." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 87), intituled, "An Act to amend The Fire Marshal's Act." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 88), intituled, "An Act to amend The Children of Unmarried Parents Act." *Mr. Vivian.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 89), intituled, "An Act to amend The Children's Protection Act." Mr. Vivian.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 90), intituled, "An Act to amend The Municipal Act." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 91), intituled, "An Act to amend The Workmen's Compensation Act." *Mr. Daley.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 92), intituled, "An Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund." *Mr. Frost.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 93), intituled, "An Act to amend The Milk Control Act." *Mr. Doucett.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

Bill (No. 94), intituled "An Act respecting the Registration of Guests in Hotels." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time on Monday next.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 10), An Act respecting the Township of North York.

Bill (No. 13), An Act to incorporate the Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province in Canada.

Bill (No. 17), An Act respecting the City of London.

Bill (No. 18), An Act respecting the City of Welland.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 70), An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

Referred to the Committee on Municipal Law.

Bill (No. 20), An Act respecting the City of Toronto.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 45), An Act respecting Municipal Health Services, having been read,

After some time, the motion having been put was declared lost.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 49), An Act to amend The Municipal Act, having been read,

After some time, the motion having been put was declared lost.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 67), An Act to amend The Assessment Act, having been read,

After some time, the motion having been put was declared lost.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 68), An Act to amend The Municipal Act, having been read,

After some time, the motion having been put was declared lost,

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The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 74), An Act to amend The Municipal Act, having been read, it was on motion of Mr. Mitchell,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 52), An Act respecting County Agricultural Committees, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 69), An

Act to amend The Public Health Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 71), An Act to authorize the application of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations made under the War Measures Act (Canada) to certain employees and employers and to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Labour Relations Board, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report progress and to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1945, the following sums:—

102.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Highways	$ 455,800.00
103.	To defray the expenses of the Division Offices, Department of Highways	322,000.00
104.	To defray the expenses of the Municipal Roads Branch, Department of Highways	74,000.00
105.	To defray the expenses of the Gasoline Tax Branch, Department of Highways	60,000.00
106.	To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous Permits Branch, Department of Highways	18,000.00
107.	To defray the expenses of the Motor Vehicles Branch, Department of Highways	146,000.00
177.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Public Works	142,100.00
178.	To defray the expenses of the General Superintendence, Department of Public Works	17,500.00
179.	To defray the expenses of the Lieutenant-Governor's Apartment, Department of Public Works	3,800.00
180.	To defray the expenses of the Legislative and Departmental Buildings, Department of Public Works	455,400.00
181.	To defray the expenses of the Osgoode Hall, Department of Public Works	42,900.00
182.	To defray the expenses of the Educational Buildings, Department of Public Works	13,000.00

183.	To defray the expenses of the Agricultural Buildings, Department of Public Works	$ 15,000.00
184.	To defray the expenses of the Training Schools, Department of Public Works	500.00
185.	To defray the expenses of the District Buildings, Department of Public Works	18,125.00
186.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospitals, Department of Public Works	67,000.00
187.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Reformatories, Department of Public Works	475.00
188.	To defray the expenses of the Public Works, Department of Public Works	15,000.00
189.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Government Office Building, Kingston, Department of Public Works	5,800.00
190.	To defray the expenses of the Miscellaneous, Department of Public Works	12,000.00
191.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospitals, Department of Public Works	380,000.00
192.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Reformatories, Department of Public Works	2,000.00
193.	To defray the expenses of the District Buildings, Department of Public Works	2,000.00
194.	To defray the expenses of the Fish Hatcheries, Department of Public Works	1,000.00
195.	To defray the expenses of the Agricultural Buildings, Department of Public Works	89,000.00
196.	To defray the expenses of the Public Works, Department of Public Works	17,500.00
58.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Game and Fisheries	119,200.00
59.	To defray the expenses of the Districts, Department of Game and Fisheries	247,000.00
60.	To defray the expenses of the Game Animals and Birds, Department of Game and Fisheries	15,000.00
61.	To defray the expenses of the Macdiarmid, Department of Game and Fisheries	3,000.00
62.	To defray the expenses of the Biological and Fish Culture Branch, Department of Game and Fisheries	245,400.00
63.	To defray the expenses of the Grants, Department of Game and Fisheries	5,400.00
64.	To defray the expenses of the Wolf Bounty, Department of Game and Fisheries	40,000.00
65.	To defray the expenses of the Bear Bounty, Department of Game and Fisheries	5,000.00
147.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Municipal Affairs	122,919.00
148.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Municipal Board	26,903.00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox) reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 5.55 p.m. on motion of the Prime Minister to meet at 1 of the clock on Monday afternoon next.

MONDAY, APRIL 3rd, 1944

Prayers. 1 O'Clock P.M.

Mr. Speaker informed the House,

That the Clerk had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery and had laid upon the Table the following Certificate of an election held since the Opening of the Present Session of the House:—

Electoral District of Haldimand-Norfolk—Charles H. Martin.

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

This is to certify that in view of a Writ of Election, dated the Fifteenth day of February, 1944, issued by the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to David D. Gunton, Esquire, Returning Officer for the Electoral District of Haldimand-Norfolk, for the election of a Member to represent the said Electoral District of Haldimand-Norfolk in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of Wallace W. Walsh, Esquire, who, since his election as representative of the said Electoral District of Haldimand-Norfolk, has departed this life, Charles Hammond Martin, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected as appears by the Return of the said Writ of Election, dated the First day of April, 1944, which is now lodged of record in my office.

C. F. Bulmer,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Toronto, April 1st, 1944.

The Order of the Day for the consideration of Notice of Motion No. 6 having been called, Mr. Roberts moved, seconded by Mr. Grummett,

"That the rules of this House be amended by adding thereto the following as 20 (*a*):—

No member, except the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition and the leader or leaders of any other recognized parties or a Minister moving a Government Order or reporting to the House on his department and the member speaking in reply immediately after such Minister, or a member making a motion of 'No Confidence' in the Government and a Minister replying thereto, shall speak for more than forty minutes at a time in any debate."

And a debate having arisen, after some time the Motion was, with the consent of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Dennison asked the following Question (No. 1):—

1. Is James Franceschini or the Dufferin Construction Company now the owner of the Royal Cecil Hotel in Toronto. 2. On what date did he or they secure a Hotel License. 3. On what date was a License to sell beer granted to the owner of these premises. 4. Are these premises operated under the control and supervision of a representative of a custodian of enemy property. If so, for what period. 5. Has any change been made in the ownership or management of this Hotel from January, 1942, to the present date. If so, from whom to whom.

The Honourable the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

1. Dufferin Construction Company, Limited. 2. May 18th, 1932. 3. July 16th, 1934. 4. No. 5. No.

Mr. Dennison asked the following Question (No. 2):—

1. Has the Government received a request from any municipality or from any associations of municipal officials or municipal representatives for the setting up of a provincial co-operative fire insurance fund which would carry insurance on both provincial buildings and municipal buildings within the Province on a mutual, low-cost basis. 2. If so, from whom and on what dates were the requests made.

The Honourable the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

Yes, but confined to insurance on school buildings. There have been two definite inquiries: 1. From Mr. C. H. R. Fuller, Business Administrator, Toronto Board of Education, dated January 23rd, 1942, and 2. From Mr. J. C. Tuck, Secretary-Treasurer, Board of School Trustees of the Township School Area of Teck, Kirkland Lake, dated January 15th, 1943. In addition, there have been many interviews both with the late Minister of Education and with his officials on this question, as for example, an interview with representatives of the Urban Trustees' Association and another with Mr. J. W. Teskey, Secretary of the Welland Board of Education.

Mr. Kehoe asked the following Question (No. 5):—

1. Since the year 1940, how many tons of lignite have been mined each year by the Government in the New Ontario fields. 2. Has any of this lignite been sold or used commercially. 3. If so, how much. 4. Have any tests been made on the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway or by other concerns. 5. Will the Government have any Ontario lignite in briquettes or otherwise available for sale to domestic consumers during 1944. 6. What amount has the Government spent during the year 1943, and in 1944 up to date, in exploring or developing these lignite beds.

The Honourable the Minister of Mines replied as follows:—

1. 1941—800 tons approximately for experimental purposes only; 1942—50 tons approximately for experimental purposes only; 1943—75 tons approximately for experimental purposes only; 1944—75 tons approximately for experimental purposes only. 2. No. 3. Answered by 2. 4. Yes. 5. Fully answered in Report of Fuel Commission now tabled. 6. See Report of Fuel Commission referred to Select Committee of the House, particularly Appendix "B".

Mr. Casselman asked the following Question (No. 6):—

1. What appointments have been made or vacancies filled by the Government in Renfrew North since August 4th, 1943. 2. Have these positions or vacancies been advertised prior to the appointments being made. 3. By whom were the appointments made. 4. How many applications, if any, were received for each position. 5. How many applicants for each position were men or women who have served in the armed forces. 6. In each case, what is the name, age, address and military record and date of appointment of (*a*) the person appointed to the position; (*b*) the person who previously held the position.

The Honourable the Prime Minister replied as follows:—

1. Two—Mr. W. H. Gibson appointed as Sheriff for the County of Renfrew succeeding Alex. Morris, deceased; Mr. John Pearson appointed as Bailiff of the Fifth Division Court of the County of Renfrew at Eganville, succeeding Mr. Ferdinand Fleurie, deceased. 2. This is not done. 3. The Sheriff by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council; the Division Court Bailiff by the Lieutenant-Governor. 4. Two for the position of Sheriff, one of which was withdrawn before the appointment was made. Mr. Pearson was the only applicant for the position of Bailiff. 5. Answered by 6. 6. (*a*) Mr. W. H. Gibson, age 55, Pembroke, Ontario, no military record, appointed October 5th, 1943; (*b*) Mr. Alexander Morris was Sheriff from May 11th, 1909, until the date of his death. (*a*) Mr. John Pearson, age 67, Egansville, Ontario, no military record, appointed January 12th, 1944; (*b*) Mr. Ferdinand Fleurie was Bailiff from June 30th, 1943, until the date of his death.

HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT

1. One Patrolman, transferred to other work. 2. No. 3. Minister of Highways. 4. One. 5. Nil. 6. (*a*) W. J. Contway, 50 years of age, R.R. No. 6, Pembroke, December 4th, 1943; (*b*) B. G. Souter, transferred to other work.

GAME AND FISHERIES DEPARTMENT

1. Game and Fisheries Overseer. 2. No. 3. Deputy Minister of Game and Fisheries. 4. Five. 5. Four. 6. (*a*) Samuel T. Jackson; 51 years; Windsor Hotel, Pembroke; 1915—77th Battalion, then 42nd Battalion, served in France in 2nd Div. 7th Brig., wounded at Lens, discharged 1918; February 8th, 1944. (*b*) Joseph A. Cecile; 51 years; 162 John Street, Pembroke; 27th Battalion, 2nd Division; October 1st, 1934.

Mr. Dennison asked the following Question (No. 10):—

1. How many persons acting as Justices of the Peace have been dismissed since August 4th, 1943. What are the names and addresses of each. On whose recommendation was the dismissal made. 2. How many persons have been appointed a justice of the peace in the same period. What are the names and addresses of each. 3. How many so appointed have been persons other than a barrister or solicitor. 4. In the case of each appointment: (*a*) Who made the application for the position; (*b*) On what date was the application made; (*c*) Was any representation made on behalf of each applicant. If so, by whom; (*d*) On whose recommendation was the appointment made.

The Honourable the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

1. Two (2)—Harold Hall of South Porcupine, Ontario, and James J. Gallagher of South Porcupine, Ontario. Cancelled upon the recommendation of the Attorney-General 2. Fifteen (15)—William Reese, Division Court Clerk, Harrow, Ontario; William H. White, Accountant, Listowel, Ontario; Ralph R. Smith, Insurance Agent, Arthur Ontario; William Gumby, Reeve, Waterdown, Ontario; William P. Marshall, Clerk-Treasurer, Crowland, Ontario; J. A. Netterfield, Probation Officer, Toronto; James Michael, Contractor, Toronto; James L. Hewson, Merchant, Oakville, Ontario; Louis Magnus, Village Clerk, Port Credit, Ontario; O. H. Downey, Village Clerk, Bolton, Ontario; Frederick Pattison, Clerk-Assistant, Bowmanville, Ontario; R. Sanderson, Lumber Dealer, Havelock, Ontario; Mrs. C. J. Wilder, Magistrate's Clerk, South Porcupine, Ontario; Charles Wright, Township Clerk, Markstay, Ontario; E. E. Jess, Town Clerk, Rainy River, Ontario. 3. None of these individuals are barristers or solicitors. 4. (*a*) (*b*) (*c*) Representations or inquiries as to the suitability and the qualifications or lack of them in respect of any individual are considered to be of a confidential nature, and should, therefore, not be made public; (*d*) The Attorney-General.

Mr. Millard asked the following Question (No. 15):

1. What was the value of beer sold at retail from breweries and beer stores in the year ending March 31st, 1943. 2. What was the gallonage of draft beer sold to authority holders during the year ending March 31st, 1943. 3. What was the total number of quart bottles of beer, and total number of pint bottles of beer sold to authority holders in Ontario during the year ending March 31st, 1943. 4. What were the retail prices set for sale of quarts and of pints of beer in beverage

rooms for the year ending March 31st, 1943. 5. What was the rate per gallon of beer sold on which the fee for authority holders was based during the year ending March 31st, 1943.

The Honourable the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

1. Value of beer sold for home consumption (less container value) $19,715,140.34. 2. 14,097,649 gallons. 3. 1,210,250 dozen quarts; 11,307,490 dozen pints. 4. Prices not set by Liquor Control Board. 5. Fees for Hotel, Railway, Social and Labour Club authorities: April 1st, 1942, to August 15th, 1942, 7 cents per gallon; August 17th, 1942, to March 31st, 1943, 8 cents per gallon. Fees for Veterans' Club Authorities—Selling both draught and bottled beer: April 1st, 1942, to August 15th, 1942, 7 cents per gallon; August 17th, 1942, to March 31st, 1943, 8 cents per gallon. Selling bottled beer only: April 1st, 1942, to August 15th, 1942, 4 cents per gallon; August 17th, 1942, to March 31st, 1943, 5 cents per gallon.

Mr. Millard asked the following Question (No. 16):—

What is the salary and allowances, if any, of Mr. Victor T. Goggin, Chief Commissioner of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario.

The Honourable the Attorney-General replied as follows:—

$14,000.00 per annum.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 22), intituled, "An Act to amend The Optometry Act." *Mr. Porter.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 95), intituled, "An Act to enable Municipalities to establish Town Planning and Housing Authorities." *Mr. Warren.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 96), intituled, "An Act respecting Hours of Work and Holidays with Pay in Industrial Undertakings." *Mr. Daley.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 97), intituled, "The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1944." *Mr. Blackwell.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 98), intituled, "An Act to amend The Mining Act." *Mr. Frost.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 99), intituled, "An Act to amend The Old Age Pensions Act." *Mr. Vivian.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 100), intituled, "An Act to provide for the Establishment of The Ontario Teachers' Federation." *Mr. Drew.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 101), intituled, "An Act to amend The Medical Act." *Mr. Vivian.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 102), intituled, "The School Law Amendment Act, 1944." *Mr. Drew.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time to-morrow.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 52), An Act respecting County Agricultural Committees.

Bill (No. 69), An Act to amend The Public Health Act.

On motion of Mr. Frost, seconded by Mr. Blackwell,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting borrowing of money.

Mr. Frost acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

1. That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council be authorized to raise from time to time by way of loan such sum or sums of money as may be deemed expedient for any or all of the following purposes, that is to say: For the public service, for works carried on by commissioners on behalf of Ontario, for the covering of any debt of Ontario on open account, for paying any floating indebtedness of Ontario, and for the carrying on of the public works authorized by the Legislature; Provided that the principal amount of any securities issued and the amount of any temporary loans raised

under the authority of this Act, including any securities issued for the retirement of the said securities or temporary loans, at any time outstanding, shall not exceed in the whole Twenty Million Dollars ($20,000,000).

2. That the aforesaid sum of money may be borrowed for any term or terms not exceeding forty years, at such rate as may be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council and shall be raised upon the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, and shall be chargeable thereupon.

3. That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may provide for a special sinking fund with respect to the issue herein authorized, and such sinking fund may be at a greater rate than the one-half of one per centum per annum specified in subsection 3 of section 3 of *The Provincial Loans Act.*

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox) reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved,

1. That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council be authorized to raise from time to time by way of loan such sum or sums of money as may be deemed expedient for any or all of the following purposes, that is to say: For the public service, for works carried on by commissioners on behalf of Ontario, for the covering of any debt of Ontario on open account, for paying any floating indebtedness of Ontario, and for the carrying on of the public works authorized by the Legislature; Provided that the principal amount of any securities issued and the amount of any temporary loans raised under the authority of this Act, including any securities issued for the retirement of the said securities or temporary loans, at any time outstanding, shall not exceed in the whole Twenty Million Dollars ($20,000,000).

2. That the aforesaid sum of money may be borrowed for any term or terms not exceeding forty years, at such rate as may be fixed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council and shall be raised upon the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Ontario, and shall be chargeable thereupon.

3. That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may provide for a special sinking fund with respect to the issue herein authorized, and such sinking fund may be at a greater rate than the one-half of one per centum per annum specified in subsection 3 of section 3 of *The Provincial Loans Act.*

This Resolution having been read the second time was agreed to and referred to the House on Bill (No. 92), "An Act for raising money on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund."

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 82), An Act respecting the Practice of Chiropody.

Referred to the Committee on Legal Bills.

Bill (No. 83), An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act.

Referred to the Committee on Legal Bills.

Bill (No. 77), An Act to amend The Game and Fisheries Act.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 81), An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 91), An Act to amend The Workmen's Compensation Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 92), An Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 86), An Act to amend The Fire Departments Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 87), An Act to amend The Fire Marshals Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 90), An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 94), An Act respecting the Registration of Guests in Hotels.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 88), An Act to amend The Children of Unmarried Parents Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 89), An Act to amend The Children's Protection Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider the following Bill:—

Bill (No. 20), An Act respecting the City of Toronto.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without amendments.

Ordered, That the Bill reported be read the third time to-morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 71), An Act to authorize the application of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations made under the War Measures Act (Canada) to certain employees and employers and to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Labour Relations Board, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

Charles Hammond Martin, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Haldimand-Norfolk, having taken the Oaths and subscribed the Roll, took his seat.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 72), An Act to amend The Judicature Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 73), An Act respecting the Rights of Labour, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1945, the following sums:—

149. To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Planning and Development..... $92,000.00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 6.00 p.m. on motion of the Prime Minister to meet at 1 of the clock to-morrow afternoon.

TUESDAY, APRIL 4TH, 1944.

PRAYERS. 1 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Arnott, from the Standing Committee on Municipal Law, presented the following as their Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills without amendment:—

Bill (No. 78), An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act.

Bill (No. 79), An Act to amend The Municipal Drainage Act.

Bill (No. 80), An Act to amend The Public Utilities Act.

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 75), An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

Bill (No. 76), An Act to amend The Assessment Act.

Your Committee begs to report that they considered Bill (No. 70), An Act to amend The Municipal Act, and that its provisions have been incorporated in Bill (No. 75).

Mr. Goodfellow, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization, presented the following as their Second and Final Report which was read as follows and adopted:—

Your Standing Committee on Agriculture and Colonization begs leave to present the following as their Second Report:—

Your Committee has carefully considered the provisions of Bill (No. 51),

An Act to amend The Transportation of Fowl Act and begs to report the Bill without amendment.

Mr. Roberts, from the Select Committee authorized by the Legislative Assembly to consider the problem of the development and processing of the lignite deposits in Ontario, presented their Interim Report which was read, as follows, and adopted:—

This Committee begs to report as follows:—

We recommend that this Committee continue its work after the House rises and in particular that it be authorized to visit the lignite deposits at Onakawana and to hold a public hearing or hearings at a suitable centre or centres in Northern Ontario.

Pending a further report this Committee recommends that the necessary work be carried on meanwhile at the property to assist in determining:

(*a*) the actual condition of the lower lignite seam for mining purposes;

(*b*) the feasibility of treating large quantities of this lignite by the Fleisner system for uses in the first instance as domestic fuels in Northern Ontario, and

(*c*) a more complete study of the relationship of this lignite deposit and use thereof and the development of nearby deposits of gypsum, refractory clays, etc.

We further recommend that the Committee be authorized to review any further recommendations of the Provincial Fuel Committee on the supply of peat, coal and/or other fuels and make recommendations thereon.

It is further recommended that in respect to lignite and other fuel developments, this Committee should be authorized to serve the Department of Planning and Development in an advisory capacity.

It is emphasized that at the present stage the lignite research work is still in the exploratory and experimental stage.

The Committee held three meetings and heard members of the Ontario Fuel Commission and others on various aspects of the lignite problem. Among those who addressed the Committee were Dr. H. B. Speakman, Prof. G. B. Langford and F. D. Tolchard, members of the Fuel Commission, and H. C. Rickaby, Deputy Minister of Mines; D. G. Sinclair, Deputy Minister of Mines and A. R. Crozier, Provincial Mines Assessor, and others.

Mr. Millard asked the following Question (No. 14):—

In the year 1934, what grants, if any, and in what amounts, were made (*a*) to

the City of Toronto and (*b*) each suburban municipality in the County of York for public school purposes, by the Department of Education or Provincial Government.

The Honourable the Prime Minister and Minister of Education replied as follows:—

Legislative grants paid in the year 1934 to

(*a*) The City of Toronto,

(*b*) Each Suburban Municipality in the County of York, for Public School purposes:—

CITY OF TORONTO

General Legislative Grant	$ 66,622.50
Night School Grant	811.05
Kindergarten Grant	2,779.20
Auxiliary Classes Grant	14,503.28
Music Grant	216.00
Art Grant	162.00
Agricultural Grant	1,117.49
Manual Training Grant	16,053.00
Household Science Grant	11,240.71
Inspection Grant	11,940.00
Critic Teachers Grant	2,200.00
Total	$127,645.23

TOWN OF LEASIDE

General Legislative Grant	$ 620.23

TOWN OF MIMICO

General Legislative Grant	$ 3,558.01

TOWN OF NEW TORONTO

General Legislative Grant	$ 5,712.61
Agricultural Grant	139.55
Music Grant	36.00
Art Grant	36.00
Manual Training Grant	6.81
Household Science Grant	10.49
Total	$ 5,941.46

TOWN OF WESTON

General Legislative Grant	$ 1,676.57
Agricultural Grant	17.11
Music Grant	18.00
Total	$ 1,711.68

VILLAGE OF FOREST HILL

General Legislative Grant	$ 1,530.67
Music Grant	36.00
Manual Training Grant	142.26
Household Science Grant	384.00
Assistant Grant	9,000.00
Total	$ 11,092.93

VILLAGE OF LONG BRANCH

General Legislative Grant	$ 5,140.09
Kindergarten Grant	43.20
Total	$ 5,183.29

VILLAGE OF SWANSEA

General Legislative Grant	$ 5,332.91
Kindergarten Grant	162.00
Auxiliary Classes Grant	210.20
Manual Training Grant	335.92
Household Science Grant	248.05
Total	$ 6,289.08

TOWNSHIP OF ETOBICOKE

General Legislative Grant	$ 30,086.87
Consolidated School Grant	1,027.93
Kindergarten Grant	97.20
Medical and Dental Inspection Grant	60.00
Agricultural Grant	86.05
Music Grant	189.00
Auxiliary Classes Grant	431.87
Manual Training Grant	71.50
Household Science Grant	154.87
Critic Teachers Grant	240.00
Total	$ 32,445.29

TOWNSHIP OF YORK

General Legislative Grant	$366,985.06
Kindergarten Grant	371.52
Medical and Dental Inspection Grant	2,310.40
Agricultural Grant	323.58
Music Grant	576.00
Auxiliary Classes Grant	2,264.62
Household Science Grant	143.29
Total	$372,974.47

TOWNSHIP OF EAST YORK

General Legislative Grant	$ 67,997.69
Agricultural Grant	192.00
Auxiliary Classes Grant	1,146.97
Music Grant	216.00
Total	$ 69,552.66

TOWNSHIP OF NORTH YORK

General Legislative Grant	$ 14,429.81
Agricultural Grant	181.78
Auxiliary Classes Grant	260.92
Household Science Grant	36.00
Transportation Grant	15.75
Critic Teachers Grant	480.00
Total	$ 15,404.26

TOWNSHIP OF SCARBOROUGH

General Legislative Grant	$ 30,412.88
Agricultural Grant	161.50
Kindergarten Grant	108.00
Medical and Dental Inspection Grant	380.00
Auxiliary Classes Grant	432.61
Manual Training Grant	33.30
Household Science Grant	57.41
Art Grant	54.00
Music Grant	100.35
Total	$ 31,740.05

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 20), An Act respecting the City of Toronto.

Bill (No. 71), An Act to authorize the application of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations made under the War Measures Act (Canada) to certain employees and employers and to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Labour Relations Board.

Bill (No. 72), An Act to amend The Judicature Act.

Bill (No. 73), An Act respecting the Rights of Labour.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 77), An Act to amend The Game and Fisheries Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 81), An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 91), An Act to amend The Workmen's Compensation Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 92), An Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 86), An Act to amend The Fire Departments Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 87), An Act to amend The Fire Marshals Act, and, after some time spent therein; Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 90), An Act to amend The Municipal Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 94), An Act respecting the Registration of Guests in Hotels, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 88), An Act to amend The Children of Unmarried Parents Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 89), An Act to amend The Children's Protection Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1945, the following sums:—

1.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Agriculture	$ 449,243.75
2.	To defray the expenses of the Statistics and Publications Branch, Department of Agriculture	15,400.00
3.	To defray the expenses of the Agricultural and Horticultural Societies, Department of Agriculture	120,695.00
4.	To defray the expenses of the Live Stock Branch, Department of Agriculture	79,739.00
5.	To defray the expenses of the Institutes Branch, Department of Agriculture	71,475.00
6.	To defray the expenses of the Dairy Branch, Department of Agriculture	147,100.00
7.	To defray the expenses of the Milk Control Branch, Department of Agriculture	47,775.00
8.	To defray the expenses of the Fruit Branch, Department of Agriculture	101,166.00
9.	To defray the expenses of the Agricultural Representatives Branch, Department of Agriculture	379,700.00
10.	To defray the expenses of the Crops, Seeds and Weeds Branch, Department of Agriculture	51,198.00
11.	To defray the expenses of the Co-operation and Markets Branch, Department of Agriculture	27,500.00
12.	To defray the expenses of the Kemptville Agricultural School, Department of Agriculture	79,169.00
13.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Veterinary College, Department of Agriculture	84,117.00
14.	To defray the expenses of the Western Ontario Experimental Farm, Department of Agriculture	38,861.00
15.	To defray the expenses of the Demonstration Farm, New Liskeard, Department of Agriculture	14,000.00
16.	To defray the expenses of the Demonstration Farm, Hearst, Department of Agriculture	7,300.00
17.	To defray the expenses of the Northern Ontario Branch, Department of Agriculture	28,900.00
18.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Agricultural College, Department of Agriculture	719,041.00
19.	To defray the expenses of the Fruit Branch, Department of Agriculture	25,000.00
20.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Attorney-General's Department	328,120.00
21.	To defray the expenses of the Office of Legislative Counsel, Attorney-General's Department	14,200.00
22.	To defray the expenses of the Supreme Court, Attorney-General's Department	91,000.00

23.	To defray the expenses of the Shorthand Reporters, Attorney-General's Department	$ 39,000.00
24.	To defray the expenses of the Land Titles Office, Attorney-General's Department	27,300.00
25.	To defray the expenses of the Drainage Referees, Attorney-General's Department	2,550.00
26.	To defray the expenses of the Criminal Justice Accounts, Attorney-General's Department	951,900.00
27.	To defray the expenses of the Public Trustee's Office, Attorney-General's Department	125,600.00
28.	To defray the expenses of the Official Guardian's Office, Attorney-General's Department	37,600.00
29.	To defray the expenses of the Accountant's Office—Supreme Court of Ontario, Attorney-General's Department	22,350.00
30.	To defray the expenses of the Fire Marshal's Office, Attorney-General's Department	62,575.00
31.	To defray the expenses of the Inspector of Legal Offices, Attorney-General's Department	97,800.00
32.	To defray the expenses of the Law Enforcement Branch (Provincial Police), Attorney-General's Department	1,270,150.00
33.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Securities Commission, Attorney-General's Department	67,700.00
108.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Insurance	64,100.00
109.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Labour	108,851.55
110.	To defray the expenses of the Industry and Labour Board, Department of Labour	5,605.00
111.	To defray the expenses of the Apprenticeship Branch, Department of Labour	57,580.00
112.	To defray the expenses of the Boiler Inspection Branch, Department of Labour	43,625.00
113.	To defray the expenses of the Factory Inspection Branch, Department of Labour	11,220.00
114.	To defray the expenses of the Board of Examining of Operating Engineers, Department of Labour	33,230.00
115.	To defray the expenses of the Minimum Wage Branch, Department of Labour	22,065.00
116.	To defray the expenses of the Composite Inspection Division, Department of Labour	118,175.00
117.	To defray the expenses of the Labour Relations Board, Department of Labour	36,880.00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions; also, That the Committee had directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

Resolved, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 93), An Act to amend The Milk Control Act, having been read, Mr. Speaker addressed the House as follows:—

The Honourable Member for Elgin yesterday asked me for a ruling on two points in connection with Bill (No. 93), "An Act to amend The Milk Control Act."

First—As to its constitutionality;

Second—As to whether the Bill is a Public or Private Bill.

I respectfully submit that in answer to the first point regarding constitutionality, that this is not within my province to give an opinion.

In regard to the second point as to whether the Bill is a Public Bill or a Private one, I have given this matter consideration and respectfully submit to the House that down through the years this House has accepted the rules of Sir Erskine May in the British House. I refer you to Chapter 26, Page 657:—

PRELIMINARY VIEW OF PRIVATE BILLS

"Bills for the particular interest or benefit of any person or persons, are treated, in Parliament, as private bills. Whether they be for the interest of an individual, of a public company or corporation, or of a parish, city, county, or other locality, they are equally distinguished from measures of public policy; and this distinction is marked, in the very manner of their introduction. Every private bill is solicited by the parties themselves who are interested in promoting it, being founded upon a petition which must be duly deposited in accordance with standing order.

But while the distinction between public and private bills may be thus generally defined, considerable difficulties often arise in determining to which description particular bills properly belong. Thus, upon a public bill, the question not infrequently arises whether it ought not more properly to have been introduced as a private bill. And private bills have often been objected to, and have been debarred from proceeding, on the ground that, from their scope or objects, or from the principles involved in them, they should have been introduced as public bills."

A Minister of the Crown is within his rights to introduce a Bill to amend a Public Act. I question whether Bill No. 93 can be regarded as such when it gives authority to a private organization and not the Milk Control Board.

I am aware that a Public Act cannot be amended by a Private Bill. Nevertheless Bill No. 93 appeared to me to provide for a compulsory means of raising money for the financing of an association or corporation that it would appear could derive such authority by means of a Private Bill instead of amending a Public Act.

The matter upon which I have been asked to rule in my opinion is a legal question, not one pertaining to the Rules of the House on Procedure, consequently I consulted Crown Officers and have been advised by the Legal Officers of the Crown that Bill No. 93 is a Public Bill.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time and was referred to the Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 85), An Act to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Stock Yards Board.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 96), An Act respecting Hours of Work and Holidays with Pay in Industrial Undertakings.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 97), The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1944.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 98), An Act to amend The Mining Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 99), An Act to amend The Old Age Pensions Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 101), An Act to amend The Medical Act.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 102), The School Law Amendment Act, 1944.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 100), An Act to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Teachers' Federation.

Referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

Bill (No. 22), An Act to amend The Optometry Act.

Referred to the Committee on Legal Bills.

The Provincial Secretary presented to the House, by command of the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Secretary and Registrar for the year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 33.*)

Also, Report of the Ontario Municipal Board for the year ending December 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 24.*)

Also, Report of the Civil Service Commissioner for the year ending December 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 37.*)

The House then adjourned at 11.35 p.m. on motion of the Prime Minister to meet at 1 of the clock to-morrow afternoon.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5TH, 1944

PRAYERS. 1 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Porter, from the Standing Committee on Legal Bills, presented the following as their Report which was read, as follows, and adopted:—

Your Committee begs to report the following Bill without amendment:—

Bill (No. 83), An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act.

Your Committee begs to report the following Bills with certain amendments:—

Bill (No. 22), An Act to amend The Optometry Act.

Bill (No. 82), An Act respecting the Practice of Chiropody.

Mr. Dent, from the Standing Committee on Printing, presented their Report which was read, as follows, and adopted:—

Your Committee recommends that the supplies allowance per Member for the current Session be fixed at $25.00.

Your Committee recommends that copies of the Canadian Parliamentary Guide, the Canadian Almanac and the Canada Year Book be purchased for distribution to the Members of the Assembly.

Your Committee recommends that the Sessional Papers for the current year be printed in the following numbers:—

Public Accounts	2,200
Estimates	1,350
Lands and Forests	850
Mines	2,250
Legal Offices	550
Superintendent of Insurance: Abstract	950
Detailed	1,050
Registrar of Loan Corporations: Abstract	400
Detailed	650
Public Works	275
Highways	525
Game and Fisheries	450
Labour	850
Education	1,050
University of Toronto	300
Births, Marriages and Deaths	1,250
Department of Health	750
Ontario Hospital for Mentally Subnormal and Epileptics	650
General Hospitals, Hospitals for Incurables, Sanatoria and Red Cross Hospitals	900
Prisons and Reformatories	958
Industrial Training Schools	888
Public Welfare	1,000
Liquor Control Board	1,000
Department of Agriculture (Minister)	1,850
Department of Agriculture (Statistics)	3,250
Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway	350
Ontario Municipal Board	450
Hydro-Electric Power Commission	3,450
Provincial Auditor	300
Workmen's Compensation Board	1,950
Ontario Veterinary College	1,750
Provincial Police	400
Ontario Research Foundation	850
Niagara Parks Commission	400
Fire Marshal	1,150

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That a Select Committee of this House be appointed to act with the Chief Election Officer, the Assistant Chief Election Officer and the Clerk of the Crown-in-Chancery for the purpose of studying The Voters' Lists Act, The Election Act and The Active Service Election Act with a view to a general revision of the said Acts, and to report the results of their deliberations to this House at the next Session thereof, the said Committee to have authority to sit during the recess of the House, to study the electoral methods of such other authorities as it thinks fit, and to be composed of twelve members as follows: Messrs. Blackwell (Chairman), Belanger, Dennison, Frost, Grummett, Jolliffe, McIntyre, MacLeod, Oliver, Roberts, Stewart (Kingston) and Williams.

In respect to Question (No. 3) regarding fire insurance premiums paid on government property in Ontario,

Mr. Drew requested that this Question be made an Order for a Return and on Motion of Mr. Dennison, seconded by Mr. Grummett,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing: 1. What is the total amount of fire insurance premiums paid each year on all Government property in Ontario, and the amount of fire losses recovered each year during the past 40 years. 2. What ratio do losses recovered bear to premiums paid. 3. What is the number of Provincial Government buildings upon which fire insurance is carried. 4. What are the names of the fire insurance companies participating in the present fire insurance Schedule. 5. What amount of insurance is placed with each. 6. What are the names and addresses of agencies through whom this insurance is placed. 7. What amount of insurance is placed with each.

Mr. Dennison asked the following Question (No. 7):—

1. How many (*a*) cities, (*b*) towns, (*c*) villages in Ontario have sewage disposal plants giving complete treatment. 2. How many (*a*) cities, (*b*) towns, (*c*) villages in Ontario have sewage disposal plants giving only partial treatment. 3. How many (*a*) cities, (*b*) towns, (*c*) villages in Ontario have no sewage disposal plants. 4. What are the names in each group. 5. What are the names of lakes, rivers or streams into which, to the knowledge of the Department, raw sewage is now flowing. 6. What steps have been taken by the Government to require adequate sewage disposal facilities in all sections of the Province, and what assistance is available to municipalities in planning and financing such plants.

The Honourable the Minister of Health replied as follows:—

1. (*a*) 8, (*b*) 23, (*c*) 4. 2. (*a*) 8, (*b*) 22, (*c*) 4. 3. (*a*) 14, (*b*) 46, (*c*) 1 village with sewers has no disposal plant. 4. 1 (*a*) Guelph, Kitchener (part), London (3 plants), Peterborough, St. Thomas, Stratford, Toronto (north), Woodstock; 1 (*b*) Alliston, Aurora, Bowmanville, Brampton, Burlington, Cochrane, Dundas, Falconbridge, Grimsby, Hespeler, Leaside, Mimico, New Toronto, Orangeville, Palmerston, Port Colborne (2 plants), Preston, Riverside, Simcoe, Timmins, Waterloo, Weston, Whitby; 1 (*c*) Crystal Beach, Long Beach, Forest Hill, Swansea; 2 (*a*) Fort William (part), Galt, Hamilton, Kitchener (part), North Bay, Oshawa, Sudbury, Toronto (main plant); 2 (*b*) Almonte, Barrie, Blind River, Carleton Place, Collingwood, Coniston, Copper Cliff, Elmira, Fort Erie, Haileybury, Hanover, Kingsville, Napanee, New Liskeard, Oakville, Orillia, Rainy River, Tillsonburg, Trenton, Tweed, Wiarton, Wingham; 2 (*c*) Cardinal, Chippawa, Fergus, Nipigon; 3 (*a*) Belleville, Brantford, Chatham, Fort William (part), Kingston, Niagara Falls, Ottawa, Owen Sound, Port Arthur, St. Catharines, Sarnia, Sault Ste. Marie, Welland, Windsor; 3 (*b*) Alexandria, Amherstburg, Arnprior, Bracebridge, Brockville, Campbellford, Chesley, Cobalt, Cobourg, Cornwall, Dryden, Dunnville, Eastview, Englehart, Espanola, Fort Frances, Gananoque, Goderich, Hawkesbury, Iroquois, Iroquois Falls, Kapuskasing, Kenora, Kincardine, La Salle, Lindsay, Matheson, Meaford, Merritton, Midland, Mount Forest, Newmarket, Niagara-on-the-Lake, Parry Sound, Pembroke,

Penetanguishene, Perth, Port Hope, Prescott, Renfrew, Smith's Falls, Sturgeon Falls, Thornbury, Thorold, Walkerton, Wallaceburg; 3 (*c*) Iroquois. 5. Abitibi River, Beaver River, Blanche River, Bonnechere River, Bay of Quinte, Cataraqui River, Detroit River, Ganaraska River, Garry River, Grand River, Georgian Bay, Holland Canal, Kaministiqua River, Kapuskasing River; Lake Erie, Lake Huron, Lake of the Woods, Lake Ontario, Lake Superior, Madawaska River, Muskoka River, Neebing River, Niagara River, Ottawa River, Rainy River, Rideau River, St. Clair River, St. Lawrence River, St. Mary's River, Saugeen River, Scugog River, Spanish River, Sturgeon River, Sydenham River (Owen Sound), Sydenham River (Wallaceburg), Tay Canal, Thames River, Trent River, Wabigoon River, Old Welland Canal, Welland River. 6. Requirements for adequate sewage disposal facilities vary in all places and to such an extent that each must be considered separately. The Department of Health has not, for many years, approved the construction of any sewerage systems without necessary sewage treatment works. Where sewer systems were in operation prior to this, the Department endeavours, by means of advice to and co-operation with the municipalities concerned, to have installed and to ensure such treatment of the sewage as is necessary to meet the local needs and reasonable public health requirements. A number of municipalities are now, at the request of the Department, preparing sewage treatment plans for post-war construction. No financial assistance is provided by the Province in the construction of municipal sewage disposal works.

Mr. Smith asked the following Question (No. 19):—

1. How many employees of the Department of Highways in Parry Sound District have been discharged since August 4th and their names. 2. How many discharged employees are ex-service men. 3. How many employees of the Department of Highways in Parry Sound District have been hired since August 4th, and their names. 4. How many employees hired since August 4th are returned men. 5. Why has this change in staff taken place. 6. Why has the Department of Highways Office been moved to Huntsville, Ontario. 7. Has there been any reduction of staff because of this move. 8. How many issuers of Game and Fish Licenses have been released since August 4th in Parry Sound District. 9. How many have been appointed since August 4th in Parry Sound District. How many are returned men.

The Honourable the Minister of Highways replied as follows:—

(Department of Highways Only)

1. One—R. G. Watson, Patrol Supervisor. (Mr. Watson had been assisted by 15 part-time foremen.) 2. None. 3. Two—Joseph T. Miller and Thomas Farley. (These patrolmen will be assisted by 4 part-time foremen.) 4. None. 5. Reorganization of Division in the interest of greater efficiency. 6. Reorganization of the Department of Highways in the interest of greater efficiency. 7. Yes. 8. Nine. 9. Ten. Information as to whether issuers are returned men or not is not recorded.

Mr. Smith asked the following Question (No. 20):—

1. To what extent and in what respect is the Government of Ontario or the Hydro-Electric Power Commission involved in the Defence Industries Limited at Nobel, Ontario. 2. Who is the present owner of that transmission line from the Hydro Plant to Nobel. 3. Under what contract or agreement have the following been receiving Hydro power: (*a*) The Defence Industries Limited at Nobel; (*b*) The town of Parry Sound.. (A brief summary with the dates on which the contracts end.)

The Honourable Mr. Challies, Minister without Portfolio, replied as follows:—

1. The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario has power contract, dated February 4th, 1941, for supply of 5,000 horsepower, which may be terminated by customer by one month's written notice. 2. Defence Industries Limited. 3. (*a*) See 1; (*b*) The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario has no contract.

Mr. Jolliffe asked the following Question (No. 21):—

1. By whose authority was an advertisement in the name of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, commencing with the words "Now Hydro rural rates reduce your bills," published in the Grand River Sachem, Wednesday, March 15th, 1944. 2. In how many other newspapers published in the County of Norfolk or the County of Haldimand was the said advertisement published during the three weeks preceding March 18th. 3. What was the cost to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of such advertisement or advertisements. 4. In how many newspapers published outside the Counties of Norfolk and Haldimand was the said advertisement published during the three weeks preceding March 18th. 5. By whose authority was an advertisement in the name of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, commencing with the words "Hydro rate change benefits rural Ontario," published in the Grand River Sachem, Caledonia, Ontario, at page 5, in the issue of Wednesday, March 15th, 1944. 6. In how many other newspapers published in the County of Norfolk or the County of Haldimand was the said advertisement published during the three weeks preceding March 18th, 1944. 7. What was the cost to the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of such advertisement or advertisements. 8. In how many newspapers published outside the Counties of Norfolk and Haldimand was the said advertisement published during the week preceding March 18th. 9. Has the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario on any previous occasion during the past five years published two advertisements in the same issue of one newspaper, and if so, on what dates and in what newspapers.

The Honourable Mr. Challies, Minister without Portfolio, replied as follows:—

1. The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario. 2. Four. 3. $92.00. 4. Three in week of March 13th, and one hundred and eighty-five in week of March 20th. 5. The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario. 6. Four. 7. $107.64. 8. One hundred and fifty-five. 9. Yes, but no readily available record because all Hydro advertising is placed through an advertising agency in one hundred and ninety-three weekly and daily newspapers, and date of issue

depends upon many factors, such as, space available, date of issue, time copy is received by paper, etc., sometimes causing overlapping of advertisements.

On motion of Mr. Blackwell, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting payment of expenses incurred in policing municipalities.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

That the expenses incurred in policing a municipality under the provisions of Bill (No. 90), An Act to amend The Municipal Act, shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved,

That the expenses incurred in policing a municipality under the provisions of Bill (No. 90), An Act to amend The Municipal Act, shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

This Resolution having been read the second time was agreed to and referred to the House on Bill (No. 90), An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

On motion of Mr. Blackwell, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting payment of salaries and expenses of Ontario Forest Resources Commission.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

That the salary and expenses of the Ontario Forest Resources Commission constituted under section 16 of The Forestry Act as re-enacted by Bill (No. 97), The Statute Law Amendment Act, be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved,

That the salary and expenses of the Ontario Forest Resources Commission constituted under section 16 of The Forestry Act as re-enacted by Bill (No. 97), The Statute Law Amendment Act, be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

This Resolution having been read the second time was agreed to and referred to the House on Bill (No. 97), The Statute Law Amendment Act.

On motion of Mr. Vivian, seconded by Mr. Dunbar,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting payment of Old Age Pensions.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may on and after the 1st day of November, 1943, enter into an agreement with the Governor-General of Canada in Council as to a general scheme of old age pensions in the Province pursuant to an Act of the Dominion heretofore or hereafter passed, not being an Act relating to old age pensions, and the regulations made thereunder, and for payment by the Dominion to the Province quarterly of an amount equal to one-half or more of the net sum paid out during the preceding quarter by the Province for old age pensions pursuant to the provisions of this Act; and

That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, on and after the 1st day of November, 1943, by Order-in-Council authorize and provide for the payment of old age pensions to the persons and under the conditions specified in any Act of the Dominion heretofore or hereafter passed, not being an Act relating to old age pensions, and the regulations made thereunder; and

That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, on and after the 1st day of April, 1942, provide for the payment of —

(*a*) a cost of living or other bonus to persons in receipt of pensions under The Old Age Pensions Act, or any class or group thereof; and

(*b*) the whole or part of the cost of providing medical services to persons in receipt of pensions under The Old Age Pensions Act, or any class or group thereof.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved,

That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may on and after the 1st day of November, 1943, enter into an agreement with the Governor-General of Canada in Council as to a general scheme of old age pensions in the Province pursuant to an Act of the Dominion heretofore or hereafter passed, not being an Act relating to old age pensions, and the regulations made thereunder, and for payment by the Dominion to the Province quarterly of an amount equal to one-half or more of the net sum paid out during the preceding quarter by the Province for old age pensions pursuant to the provisions of this Act; and

That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, on and after the 1st day of November, 1943, by Order-in-Council authorize and provide for the payment of old age pensions to the persons and under the conditions specified in any Act of the Dominion heretofore or hereafter passed, not being an Act relating to old age pensions, and the regulations made thereunder; and

That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, on and after the 1st day of April, 1942, provide for the payment of,—

(*a*) a cost of living or other bonus to persons in receipt of pensions under The Old Age Pensions Act, or any class or group thereof; and

(*b*) the whole or part of the cost of providing medical services to persons in receipt of pensions under The Old Age Pensions Act, or any class or group thereof.

This Resolution having been read the second time was agreed to and referred to the House on Bill (No. 99), An Act to amend The Old Age Pensions Act.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting moneys received by the Ontario Stock Yards.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

That all moneys received by the Ontario Stock Yards Board constituted under the provisions of Bill (No. 85), An Act to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Stock Yards Board, from the operation of its undertakings or otherwise, shall be applied to,—

(*a*) operating expenses;

(*b*) payment of interest on indebtedness; and

(*c*) repayment of principal moneys borrowed;

That any surplus moneys shall be paid to the Treasurer of Ontario and deposited in the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and shall constitute a fund to be known as the Livestock Improvement Fund appearing on the books of the Treasurer of Ontario as the Livestock Improvement Fund; and

That the Livestock Improvement Fund shall be available for the purpose of the improvement of livestock and for such purpose the Minister of Agriculture may with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council direct payment out of the Fund of such amounts to such persons or organizations as he may deem proper.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved,

That all moneys received by the Ontario Stock Yards Board constituted under the provisions of Bill (No. 85), An Act to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Stock Yards Board, from the operation of its undertakings or otherwise, shall be applied to,—

(*a*) operating expenses;

(*b*) payment of interest on indebtedness; and

(*c*) repayment of principal moneys borrowed;

That any surplus moneys shall be paid to the Treasurer of Ontario and deposited in the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and shall constitute a fund to be

known as the Livestock Improvement Fund appearing on the books of the Treasurer of Ontario as the Livestock Improvement Fund; and

That the Livestock Improvement Fund shall be available for the purpose of the improvement of livestock and for such purpose the Minister of Agriculture may with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council direct payment out of the Fund of such amounts to such persons or organizations as he may deem proper.

This Resolution having been read the second time was agreed to and referred to the House on Bill (No. 85), An Act to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Stock Yards Board.

On motion of Mr. Blackwell, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That this House do forthwith resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting payment of superannuation to certain Magistrates.

Mr. Drew acquainted the House that His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved,

That every person,—

(*a*) who on the 30th day of June, 1941, held the position of magistrate on a full time basis;

(*b*) whose salary was or is paid by the Province;

(*c*) who pursuant to the provisions of *The Magistrates Amendment Act, 1941*, has ceased or hereafter ceases to hold office; and

(*d*) who is not entitled to any allowance under the superannuation provisions of *The Public Service Act*,

shall from the date upon which he ceased or ceases to hold office receive an allowance of seventy-five dollars per month payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a certain Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Resolved.

That every person,—

(*a*) who on the 30th day of June, 1941, held the position of magistrate on a full time basis

(*b*) whose salary was or is paid by the Province;

(*c*) who pursuant to the provisions of *The Magistrates Amendment Act, 1941*, has ceased or hereafter ceases to hold office; and

(*d*) who is not entitled to any allowance under the superannuation provisions of *The Public Service Act*,

shall from the date upon which he ceased or ceases to hold office receive an allowance of seventy-five dollars per month payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

This Resolution having been read the second time was agreed to and referred to the House on Bill (No. 97), The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1944.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 77), An Act to amend The Game and Fisheries Act.

Bill (No. 81), An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act.

Bill (No. 92), An Act for raising money on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Bill (No. 86), An Act to amend The Fire Departments Act.

Bill (No. 87), An Act to amend The Fire Marshals Act.

Bill (No. 90), An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

Bill (No. 94), An Act respecting the Registration of Guests in Hotels.

Bill (No. 88), An Act to amend The Children of Unmarried Parents Act.

Bill (No. 89), An Act to amend The Children's Protection Act.

The Order of the Day for consideration of Motion No. 4 having been read, Mr. Salsberg moved, seconded by Mr. MacLeod,

"That in the opinion of this House, the Standing Committee on Labour be authorized to conduct a Public Enquiry into the minimum wage rates

now being paid to workers in this Province—female, male, adolescent youth, and apprentices: to establish the relationship of such rates to living costs and to an adequate standard of life; and to submit to this House, proposals and recommendations for legislation to establish a new minimum wage scale in Ontario in harmony with the possibilities for a higher Canadian standard of life and in accordance with the needs for an expanding home market."

Mr. Speaker ruled that as the exceptions from the provisions of The Minimum Wage Act do not include members of the Civil Service the motion was an abstract motion which, if carried, would contemplate an increase in expenditure of public money and, therefore, it was not within the power of a private member to move it. He referred to Lewis on Parliamentary Procedure, page 161, first paragraph, and to the list of rulings on similar motions listed on page 364 of the index to the same book.

The Order of the Day for consideration of Motion No. 1 having been read, Mr. MacLeod moved, seconded by Mr. Salsberg,

"That in recognition of the valiant services being rendered for Canada and the civilized world by the members of the Canadian Active Service Forces and being of the opinion that the present allowance made to members of the forces on their discharge for the purpose of replacing their civilian clothing is quite inadequate, this House is of the opinion that a memorial should be presented to the Dominion Government by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council requesting that such clothing allowance be increased to an amount of at least $125.00.

Mr. Speaker ruled as follows:—

"While we may all agree with the sentiment expressed in the proposed motion in my opinion it is not within the jurisdiction of this House to pass such a motion. Section 54 of the British North America Act provides

'That the House shall not adopt or pass any vote, resolution, address or bill for the appropriation of any part of the public revenue, or of any tax or impost, to any purpose that has not been first recommended by a message of the Lieutenant-Governor in the Session in which such vote, resolution, address or bill is proposed.'

It would clearly be out of order for the honourable member to move such a motion in this House and I therefore rule that it is not competent for a member to move such a motion affecting another parliamentary jurisdiction.

It would be possible to take up the greatest part of the time of the House considering such resolutions if they were to be admitted."

On motion of Mr. Wismer, seconded by Mr. Jolliffe,

Ordered, That there be laid before this House a Return showing, in each Department of Government:—

1. The number of employees who have received salary increases in the following, or similar salary brackets, since March 31st, 1943—

   (*a*) Employees formerly receiving under $1,000 per year;
   (*b*) Employees receiving from $1,000 to $2,000;
   (*c*) Employees receiving from $2,000 to $3,000;
   (*d*) Employees receiving from $3,000 to $4,000;
   (*e*) Employees receiving from $4,000 to $5,000;
   (*f*) Employees receiving over $5,000 per year.

2. The total number of employees in each of the above salary brackets.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 95), An Act to enable Municipalities to establish Town Planning and Housing Authorities, having been read,

After some time the motion, having been put, was declared lost on the following Division:—

YEAS

Alles
Anderson
Bennett
Brown
Carlin
Casselman
Connor
Cook
Dennison
Docker
Grummett
Hancock
Harvey
Jolliffe
Kehoe
Leavens
Lockhart
Luckock
MacLeod
Macphail
Millard
Overall
Riggs
Robertson
Robinson (Port Arthur)
Robinson (Waterloo, South)
Salsberg
Steel
Strange
Taylor (Temiskaming)
Thornberry
Warren
Williams—33

NAYS

Acres
Arnott
Bégin
Belanger
Blackwell
Challies
Daley
Dent
Dickson
Doucett
Downie
Drew
Duckworth
Duff
Dunbar
Frost
Goodfellow
Gordon
Hall
Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox)
Hepburn (Elgin)
Hunt
Johnston
Kelly
Laurier
MacGillivray
Martin
Murdoch
Murphy
McDonald
McIntyre
McPhee
Nixon
Oliver
Patrick
Patterson
Porter
Pringle
Reynolds
Roberts
Robson
Scott
Stewart (Kingston)
Thompson
Vivian
Webster—46

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 51), An Act to amend The Transportation of Fowl Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 78), An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 79), An Act to amend The Municipal Drainage Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 80), An Act to amend The Public Utilities Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 85), An Act to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Stock Yards Board, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 93), An Act to amend The Milk Control Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 96), An Act respecting Hours of Work and Vacation with Pay in Industrial Undertakings, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 98), An Act to amend The Mining Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Reynolds reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 99), An Act to amend The Old Age Pensions Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 101), An Act to amend The Medical Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 97), The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1944, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 102), The School Law Amendment Act, 1944, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 100), An Act to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Teachers' Federation, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 75), An Act to amend The Municipal Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill with certain amendments.

Ordered, That the Amendments be taken into consideration forthwith.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 76), An Act to amend The Assessment Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 82), An Act respecting the Practice of Chiropody, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 83), An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act, and, after some time spent therein

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 22), An Act to amend The Optometry Act, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had directed him to report the Bill without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-day.

The following Bills were read the third time and were passed:—

Bill (No. 91), An Act to amend The Workmen's Compensation Act.

Bill (No. 75), An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

Bill (No. 76), An Act to amend The Assessment Act.

Bill (No. 78), An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act.

Bill (No. 79), Act to amend The Municipal Drainage Act.

Bill (No. 80), An Act to amend The Public Utilities Act.

Bill (No. 85), An Act to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Stock Yards Board.

Bill (No. 93), An Act to amend The Milk Control Act.

Bill (No. 96), An Act respecting Hours of Work and Vacation with Pay in Industrial Undertakings.

Bill (No. 97), The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1944.

Bill (No. 98), An Act to amend The Mining Act.

Bill (No. 99), An Act to amend The Old Age Pensions Act.

Bill (No. 101), An Act to amend The Medical Act.

Bill (No. 102), The School Law Amendment Act, 1944.

Bill (No. 100), An Act to provide for the establishment of the Ontario Teachers' Federation.

Bill (No. 51), An Act to amend The Transportation of Fowl Act.

Bill (No. 82), An Act respecting the Practice of Chiropody.

Bill (No. 83), An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 22), An Act to amend The Optometry Act, having been read,

Mr. Hepburn (Elgin) moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Nixon,

That the Bill be not now read a third time but be read this day six months hence.

The Amendment having been put was declared lost on the following Division:—

YEAS

Bégin
Belanger
Dickson
Downie
Duff
Gordon
Hepburn (Elgin)
Kelly
MacGillivray
MacLeod
Miller
Murphy
Murray
McEwing
Nixon
Oliver
Patterson
Salsberg
Taylor—19 (Huron)

NAYS

Acres
Alles
Arnott
Bennett
Brown
Carlin
Casselman
Challies
Connor
Cook
Daley
Dennison
Dent
Docker
Doucett
Downer
Drew
Duckworth
Dunbar
Frost
Goodfellow
Grummett
Hall
Hancock
Hanna
Harvey
Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox)
Hunt
Johnston
Jolliffe
Kehoe
Lockhart
Luckock
Martin
Macphail
Millard
Mitchell
Murdoch
McDónald
McIntyre
McPhee
Overall
Patrick
Porter
Pringle
Reynolds
Riggs
Roberts
Robertson
Robinson (Port Arthur)
Robinson (Waterloo, South)
Robson
Scott
Steel
Stewart (Kingston)
Strange
Taylor (Temiskaming)
Thompson
Thornberry
Vivian
Warren
Webster
Williams
Wismer—64

The motion for third reading having then been put was carried on the following Division:—

YEAS

Acres
Alles
Arnott
Bennett
Blackwell
Brown
Carlin
Casselman
Challies
Connor
Cook
Daley
Dennison
Dent
Docker
Doucett
Downer
Drew
Duckworth
Dunbar
Frost
Goodfellow
Grummett
Hall
Hancock
Hanna
Harvey
Hepburn (Prince Edward-Lennox)
Hunt
Johnston
Jolliffe
Kehoe
Lockhart
Luckock
Martin
Macphail
Millard
Mitchell
Murdoch
McDonald
McIntyre
McPhee
Overall
Patrick
Porter
Pringle
Reynolds
Riggs
Roberts
Robertson
Robinson (Port Arthur)
Robinson (Waterloo, South)
Robson
Scott
Steel
Stewart (Kingston)
Strange
Taylor (Temiskaming)
Thompson
Thornberry
Vivian
Warren
Webster
Williams
Wismer—65

NAYS

Bégin
Belanger
Dickson
Downie
Duff
Gordon
Hepburn (Elgin)
Kelly
MacGillivray
MacLeod
Miller
Murphy
Murray
McEwing
Nixon
Oliver
Patterson
Salsberg
Taylor—19 (Huron)

And the Bill was accordingly read the third time and was passed.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That there be granted to His Majesty, for the services of the fiscal year ending March 31st, 1945, the following sums:—

155. To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Provincial Secretary.....$ 76,585.00

156. To defray the expenses of the Registrar-General's Branch, Department of Provincial Secretary.....$ 100,050.00
157. To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Reformatories and Prisons Branch..... 255,500.00
158. To defray the expenses of the Board of Parole, Reformatories and Prisons Branch..... 18,000.00
159. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Reformatory, Guelph, Reformatories and Prisons Branch..... 913,000.00
160. To defray the expenses of the Mercer Reformatory, Toronto, Reformatories and Prisons Branch..... 199,000.00
161. To defray the expenses of the Industrial Farm, Burwash, Reformatories and Prisons Branch..... 480,000.00
162. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Training School for Boys, Bowmanville, Reformatories and Prisons Branch..... 120,500.00
163. To defray the expenses of the Ontario Training School for Girls, Cobourg, Reformatories and Prisons Branch..... 100,000.00

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock midnight.

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150. To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Prime Minister..... 59,550.00
151. To defray the expenses of the Office of Executive Council, Department of Prime Minister..... 12,000.00
152. To defray the expenses of the Office of Civil Service Commissioner, Department of Prime Minister..... 17,075.00
153. To defray the expenses of the Office of the King's Printer, Department of Prime Minister..... 34,600.00
34. To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Education..... 172,850.00
35. To defray the expenses of the Legislative Library, Department of Education..... 15,750.00
36. To defray the expenses of the Public Records and Archives, Department of Education..... 6,100.00
37. To defray the expenses of the Public and Separate School Education, Department of Education..... 6,890,975.00
38. To defray the expenses of the Inspection of Schools Branch, Department of Education..... 631,050.00
39. To defray the expenses of the Departmental Examinations Branch, Department of Education..... 231,100.00
40. To defray the expenses of the Text-Books Branch, Department of Education..... 97,100.00
41. To defray the expenses of the Training Schools Branch, Department of Education..... 106,100.00
42. To defray the expenses of the Toronto Normal School, Department of Education..... 91,300.00
43. To defray the expenses of the Ottawa Normal School, Department of Education..... 40,300.00
44. To defray the expenses of the London Normal School, Department of Education..... 47,900.00

45.	To defray the expenses of the Hamilton Normal School, Department of Education	$ 43,800.00
46.	To defray the expenses of the Peterborough Normal School, Department of Education	33,180.00
47.	To defray the expenses of the Stratford Normal School, Department of Education	32,300.00
48.	To defray the expenses of the North Bay Normal School, Department of Education	34,000.00
49.	To defray the expenses of the University of Ottawa Normal School, Department of Education	77,350.00
50.	To defray the expenses of the High Schools and Collegiate Institutes, Department of Education	921,550.00
51.	To defray the expenses of the Public Libraries, Department of Education	115,650.00
52.	To defray the expenses of the Vocational Education, Department of Education	2,185,350.00
53.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Training College for Technical Teachers, Department of Education	5,000.00
54.	To defray the expenses of the Superannuated Teachers, Department of Education	8,800.00
55.	To defray the expenses of the Provincial and other Universities, Department of Education	2,042,000.00
56.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario School for the Deaf, Belleville, Department of Education	153,500.00
57.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario School for the Blind, Brantford, Department of Education	94,100.00
66.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Health	412,150.00
67.	To defray the expenses of the Public Health Administration Branch, Department of Health	201,000.00
68.	To defray the expenses of the Public Health Nursing Branch, Department of Health	34,250.00
69.	To defray the expenses of the Maternal and Child Hygiene Branch, Department of Health	17,700.00
70.	To defray the expenses of the Dental Services Branch, Department of Health	22,200.00
71.	To defray the expenses of the Inspection of Nursing Services Branch, Department of Health	23,200.00
72.	To defray the expenses of the Epidemiological Branch, Department of Health	220,150.00
73.	To defray the expenses of the Venereal Diseases Control Branch, Department of Health	340,600.00
74.	To defray the expenses of the Tuberculosis Branch, Department of Health	351,935.00
75.	To defray the expenses of the Industrial Hygiene Branch, Department of Health	106,100.00
76.	To defray the expenses of the Sanitary Engineering Branch, Department of Health	56,400.00
77.	To defray the expenses of the Laboratory Branch, Central Laboratory, Department of Health	235,500.00
78.	To defray the expenses of the Regional Laboratories Branch, Department of Health	110,150.00

79.	To defray the expenses of the Regional Subsidized Laboratories, Department of Health	$ 6,500.00
80.	To defray the expenses of the Grants to Hospitals providing Diagnostic Public Health Services, Department of Health	53,600.00
81.	To defray the expenses of the Clinical Laboratory Diagnostic Centres, Department of Health	22,100.00
82.	To defray the expenses of the Hospitals Branch—General office, grants, etc., General Expenses, Ontario Hospitals	4,704,350.00
83.	To defray the expenses of the Psychiatric Research Division, Department of Health	21,700.00
84.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Brampton	3,700.00
85.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Brockville	477,600.00
86.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Cobourg	192,750.00
87.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Fort William	85,000.00
88.	To defray the expenses of the Fort William-Port Arthur Unit	39,000.00
89.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Hamilton	711,900.00
90.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Kingston	551,800.00
91.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Langstaff	172,600.00
92.	To defray the expenses of the Langstaff-Concord Unit	31,550.00
93.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, London	701,700.00
94.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, New Toronto	617,400.00
95.	To defray the expenses of the Orillia Hospital School	687,700.00
96.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Penetanguishene	301,200.00
97.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, St. Thomas	10,000.00
98.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Toronto	527,320.00
99.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Whitby	751,800.00
100.	To defray the expenses of the Ontario Hospital, Woodstock	646,100.00
101.	To defray the expenses of the Toronto Psychiatric Hospital	137,600.00
171.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Public Welfare	293,700.00
172.	To defray the expenses of the Day Nurseries Branch, Department of Public Welfare	369,625.00
173.	To defray the expenses of the Children's Aid Branch, Department of Public Welfare	223,700.00
174.	To defray the expenses of the Mothers' Allowances Commission, Department of Public Welfare	4,332,800.00
175.	To defray the expenses of the Old Age Pensions Commission, Department of Public Welfare	7,088,850.00
176.	To defray the expenses of the Old Age Pensions Commission Branches, Department of Public Welfare	13,036,000.00
118.	To defray the expenses of the Main Office, Department of Lands and Forests	308,027.00
119.	To defray the expenses of the Land and Recreational Areas Branch, Department of Lands and Forests	64,250.00
120.	To defray the expenses of the Surveys Branch, Department of Lands and Forests	84,751.00
121.	To defray the expenses of the Forest Research Branch, Department of Lands and Forests	21,000.00
122.	To defray the expenses of the Forest Protection Branch, Department of Lands and Forests	19,742.00

123.	To defray the expenses of the Timber Management Branch, Department of Lands and Forests	$ 38,225.00
124.	To defray the expenses of the Basic Organization, Department of Lands and Forests	1,363,850.00
125.	To defray the expenses of the Extra Fire Fighting, Department of Lands and Forests	125,000.00
126.	To defray the expenses of the Scaling, Department of Lands and Forests	189,000.00
127.	To defray the expenses of the Rondeau Provincial Park, Department of Lands and Forests	19,825.00
128.	To defray the expenses of the Ipperwash Beach Provincial Park, Department of Lands and Forests	3,500.00
129.	To defray the expenses of Clearing Townsites and Removal of Fire Hazards, Department of Lands and Forests	15,000.00
130.	To defray the expenses of the Forest Research, Department of Lands and Forests	100,000.00
131.	To defray the expenses of the Air Service Branch, Department of Lands and Forests	282,411.00
132.	To defray the expenses of the Reforestation Branch, General Office, Departnent of Lands and Forests	68,653.00
133.	To defray the expenses of the Reforestation Branch, Field Operations, Department of Lands and Forests	308,847.00
134.	To defray the expenses of the Lignite Development, Department of Lands and Forests	100,000.00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-day.

Mr. Patterson, from the Committee of Supply, reported the following Resolution:—

Resolved, That Supply in the following amounts and to defray expenses of the Government Departments named be granted to His Majesty for the year ending March 31st, 1945:—

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:

Main Office	$ 449,243.75
Statistics and Publications Branch	15,400.00
Agricultural and Horticultural Societies Branch	120,695.00
Live Stock Branch	79,739.00
Institutes Branch	71,475.00
Dairy Branch	147,100.00
Milk Control Board	47,775.00
Fruit Branch	101,166.00
Agricultural Representatives Branch	379,700.00
Crops, Seeds and Weeds Branch	51,198.00
Co-operation and Markets Branch	27,500.00
Kemptville Agricultural School	79,169.00

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE—*Continued*

Ontario Veterinary College	$ 84,117.00
Western Ontario Experimental Farm	38,861.00
Demonstration Farm, New Liskeard	14,000.00
Demonstration Farm, Hearst	7,300.00
Northern Ontario Branch	28,900.00
Ontario Agricultural College	710,041.00
Fruit Branch	25,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL:

Main Office	328,120.00
Legislative Counsel	14,200.00
Supreme Court	91,000.00
Shorthand Reporters	39,000.00
Land Titles Office	27,300.00
Drainage Referees	2,550.00
Criminal Justice Accounts	951,900.00
Public Trustee's Office	125,600.00
Official Guardian's Office	37,600.00
Accountant's Office—Supreme Court of Ontario	22,350.00
Fire Marshal's Office	62,575.00
Inspector of Legal Offices	97,800.00
Law Enforcement Branch (Provincial Police)	1,270,150.00
Ontario Securities Commission	67,700.00

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

Main Office	172,850.00
Legislative Library	15,750.00
Public Records and Archives	6,100.00
Public and Separate School Education	6,890,975.00
Inspection of Schools	631,050.00
Departmental Examinations	231,100.00
Text Books	97,100.00
Training Schools	106,100.00
Toronto Normal School	91,300.00
Ottawa Normal School	40,300.00
London Normal School	47,900.00
Hamilton Normal School	43,800.00
Peterborough Normal School	33,180.00
Stratford Normal School	32,300.00
North Bay Normal School	34,000.00
University of Ottawa Normal School	77,350.00
High Schools and Collegiate Institutes	921,550.00
Public Libraries	115,650.00
Vocational Education	2,185,350.00
Ontario Training College for Technical Teachers	5,000.00
Superannuated Teachers	8,800.00
Provincial and other Universities	2,042,000.00
Ontario School for the Deaf, Belleville	153,500.00
Ontario School for the Blind, Brantford	94,100.00

DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND FISHERIES:

Main Office	$ 119,200.00
Districts	247,000.00
Game Animals and Birds	15,000.00
Macdiarmid	3,000.00
Biological and Fish Culture Branch	245,400.00
Grants	5,400.00
Wolf Bounty	40,000.00
Bear Bounty	5,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH:

Main Office	412,150.00
Public Health Administration Branch	201,000.00
Public Health Nursing Branch	34,250.00
Maternal and Child Hygiene Branch	17,700.00
Dental Services Branch	22,200.00
Inspection of Nursing Services Branch	23,200.00
Epidemiological Branch	220,150.00
Venereal Diseases Control Branch	340,600.00
Tuberculosis Prevention Branch	351,935.00
Industrial Hygiene Branch	106,100.00
Sanitary Engineering Branch	56,400.00
Laboratory Branch—Central Laboratory	235,500.00
Regional Laboratories Branch	110,150.00
Regional Subsidized Laboratories	6,500.00
Grants to Hospitals providing diagnostic Public Health Services	53,600.00
Clinical Laboratory Diagnostic Centres	22,100.00
Hospitals Branch—General Office—Grants, etc.	4,704,350.00
Psychiatric Research Division	21,700.00

Ontario Hospitals:

Brampton	3,700.00
Brockville	477,600.00
Cobourg	192,750.00
Fort William	85,000.00
Fort William-Port Arthur Unit	39,000.00
Hamilton	711,900.00
Kingston	551,800.00
Langstaff	172,600.00
Langstaff-Concord Unit	31,550.00
London	701,700.00
New Toronto	617,400.00
Orillia Hospital School	687,700.00
Penetanguishene	301,200.00
St. Thomas	10,000.00
Toronto	527,320.00
Whitby	751,800.00
Woodstock	646,100.00
Toronto Psychiatric Hospital	137,600.00

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS:

Main Office	$ 455,800.00
Division Offices	322,000.00
Municipal Roads Branch	74,000.00
Gasoline Tax Branch	60,000.00
Miscellaneous Permits Branch	18,000.00
Motor Vehicles Branch	146,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE:

Main Office	64,100.00

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR:

Main Office	108,851.55
Industry and Labour Board	5,605.00
Apprenticeship Branch	57,580.00
Boiler Inspection Branch	43,625.00
Factory Inspection Branch	11,220.00
Board of Examiners of Operating Engineers	33,230.00
Minimum Wage Branch	22,065.00
Composite Inspection Division	118,175.00
Labour Relations Board	36,880.00

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS AND FORESTS:

Main Office	308,027.00
Land and Recreational Areas Branch	64,250.00
Surveys Branch	84,751.00
Forest Research Branch	21,000.00
Forest Protection Branch	19,742.00
Timber Management Branch	38,225.00
Basic Organization	1,363,850.00
Extra Fire Fighting	125,000.00
Scaling	189,000.00
Rondeau Provincial Park	19,825.00
Ipperwash Beach Provincial Park	3,500.00
Clearing Townsites and Removal of Fire Hazards	15,000.00
Forest Research	100,000.00
Air Service Branch	282,411.00
Reforestation Branch—General Office	68,653.00
Reforestation Branch—Field Operation	308,847.00
Lignite Development	100,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF LEGISLATION:

Office of the Speaker	259,300.00
Office of Crown in Chancery	5,400.00

OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR	[illegible]175.00

DEPARTMENT OF MINES:

Main Office	$ 149,050.00
Geological Branch	62,400.00
Mines Inspection Branch	44,500.00
Laboratories Branch	46,250.00
Natural Gas Commissioner	19,050.00
Sulphur Fumes Arbitrator	5,000.00
Offices of Mining Recorders	34,000.00
Ontario Mining Commission	3,000.00
Ontario Fuel Commission	1,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS:

Main Office	122,919.00
Ontario Municipal Board	26,903.00

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:

Main Office	92,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF PRIME MINISTER:

Main Office	59,550.00
Office of Executive Council	12,000.00
Civil Service Commissioner	17,075.00
King's Printer	34,600.00

OFFICE OF PROVINCIAL AUDITOR	118,500.00

DEPARTMENT OF PROVINCIAL SECRETARY:

Main Office	76,585.00
Registrar General's Branch	100,050.00

Reformatories and Prisons Branch:

Main Office	255,500.00
Board of Parole	18,000.00
Ontario Reformatory, Guelph	913,000.00
Mercer Reformatory, Toronto	199,000.00
Industrial Farm, Burwash	480,000.00
Ontario Training School for Boys—Bowmanville	120,500.00
Ontario Training School for Girls—Cobourg	100,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF PROVINCIAL TREASURER:

Main Office	157,400.00
Bureau of Statistics and Research	22,275.00
Motion Picture Censorship and Theatre Inspection	43,325.00
Controller of Revenue Branch	289,960.00
Post Office	174,915.00
Travel and Publicity Bureau	78,000.00
Main Office	800,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE:

Main Office	293,700.00
Day Nurseries Branch	369,625.00
Children's Aid Branch	223,700.00
Mothers' Allowances Commission	4,332,800.00
Old Age Pensions Commission	7,088,850.00
Old Age Pensions Commission Branches	13,036,000.00

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:

Main Office	142,100.00
General Superintendence	17,500.00
Lieutenant Governor's Apartment	3,800.00
Legislative and Departmental Buildings	455,400.00
Osgoode Hall	42,900.00
Educational Buildings	13,000.00
Agricultural Buildings	15,000.00
Training Schools	500.00
District Buildings	18,125.00
Ontario Hospitals	67,000.00
Ontario Reformatories	475.00
Public Works	15,000.00
Ontario Government Office Building, Kingston	5,800.00
Miscellaneous	12,000.00
Ontario Hospitals	380,000.00
Ontario Reformatories	2,000.00
District Buildings	2,000.00
Fish Hatcheries	1,000.00
Agricultural Buildings	89,000.00
Public Works	17,500.00
MISCELLANEOUS	100,000.00

The Resolution, having been read a second time, was concurred in.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee*)

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Seventy million, three hundred and forty-four thousand, eight hundred and four dollars and thirty cents to meet the Supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Patterson reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received forthwith.

Mr. Patterson, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a Resolution, which was read as follows:—

Resolved, That there be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province a sum not exceeding Seventy million, three hundred and forty-four thousand, eight hundred and four dollars and thirty cents to meet the Supply to that extent granted to His Majesty.

The Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

The following Bill was then introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 103), intituled, "An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of Money for the Public Service of the Financial Year ending the 31st day of March, 1945." *Mr. Frost.*

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time forthwith.

The Bill was then read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Frost,

Ordered, That the full Sessional Indemnity be paid to those Members absent on account of illness or other unavoidable cause.

The Provincial Secretary presented to the House, by command of the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Report of the Department of Mines for the year 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Also, Annual Report of the Department of Education for the year 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 11.*)

Also, Report of the Minister of Lands and Forests of the Province of Ontario for the year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 3.*)

Also, Report of the Hospitals and Sanatoria for the year ending December 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Also, Report of the Niagara Parks Commission for the year ending March 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 50.*)

Also, Report of the Superintendent of Insurance for the year ending December 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 6.*)

Also, Report of the Loan Corporations for the year ending December 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

Also, Annual Report of Department of Highways, Ontario, for the year ending March 31st, 1944. (*Sessional Papers No. 32.*)

Also, Annual Report of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario for fiscal year ending October 31st, 1943. (*Sessional Papers No. 26.*)

The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor entered the Chamber of the Legislative Assembly and being seated upon the Throne,

Mr. Speaker addressed His Honour in the following words:—

May it please Your Honour:

The Legislative Assembly of the Province has at its present Sittings thereof passed several Bills to which, in the name and on behalf of the said Legislative Assembly, I respectfully request Your Honour's Assent.

The Clerk Assistant then read the titles of the Acts that had passed severally as follows:—

The following are the titles of the Bills to which Your Honour's Assent is prayed:—

An Act respecting the Town of Leaside.

An Act respecting the City of Brantford.

An Act respecting the City of Fort William.

An Act respecting the Township of Scarborough.

An Act respecting L'Union Saint Joseph du Canada.

An Act respecting the Townships of Anson, Hindon and Minden.

An Act respecting the County of Essex.

An Act respecting Victoria University.

An Act respecting the Township of North York.

An Act respecting the Ottawa Civic Hospital.

An Act to incorporate the Capuchin Fathers of the Belgian Province in Canada.

An Act respecting the Boards of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec.

An Act respecting the Town of Fort Erie.

An Act respecting the Township of York.

An Act respecting the City of London.

An Act respecting the City of Welland.

An Act respecting the City of Ottawa Public School Board.

An Act respecting the City of Toronto.

An Act respecting the Township of North Monaghan.

An Act to amend The Optometry Act.

The Abitibi Power and Paper Company, Limited, Moratorium Act, 1944.

An Act to amend The Transportation of Fowl Act.

An Act respecting Agricultural Committees.

The Cheese and Hog Subsidy Act, 1944.

An Act to amend The Credit Unions Act, 1940.

An Act respecting the Guardianship of the Dionne Quintuplets.

An Act to enable Municipalities to Establish Health Services.

An Act to provide Financial Protection for Members of the Armed Forces.

An Act to provide Protection for Life Insurance Policies of Members of the Armed Forces.

An Act to amend The Active Service Moratorium Act, 1943.

The Liquor Authority Control Act, 1944.

An Act to amend The Liquor Control Act.

An Act respecting Slot Machines.

An Act to amend The Factory, Shop and Office Building Act.

An Act to amend The Public Health Act.

An Act to authorize the application of the Wartime Labour Relations Regulations made under the War Measures Act (Canada) to certain Employees and Employers, and to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Labour Relations Board.

An Act to amend the Judicature Act.

An Act respecting the Rights of Labour.

An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

An Act to amend The Assessment Act.

An Act to amend The Game and Fisheries Act.

An Act to amend The Department of Municipal Affairs Act.

An Act to amend The Municipal Drainage Act.

An Act to amend The Public Utilities Act.

An Act to amend The Apprenticeship Act.

An Act respecting the Practice of Chiropody.

An Act to amend The Legislative Assembly Act.

An Act to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Stockyards Board.

An Act to amend The Fire Departments Act.

An Act to amend The Fire Marshals Act.

An Act to amend The Children of Unmarried Parents Act.

An Act to amend The Children's Protection Act.

An Act to amend The Municipal Act.

An Act to amend The Workmen's Compensation Act.

An Act for raising Money on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

An Act to amend The Milk Control Act.

An Act respecting the Registration of Guests in Hotels.

An Act respecting Hours of Work and Vacations with Pay in Industrial Undertakings.

The Statute Law Amendment Act, 1944.

An Act to amend The Mining Act.

An Act to amend The Old Age Pensions Act.

An Act to provide for the Establishment of the Ontario Teachers' Federation.

An Act to amend The Medical Act.

The School Law Amendment Act, 1944.

To these Acts the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:—

"In His Majesty's name, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to these Acts."

Mr. Speaker then said:—

May it please Your Honour:

We, His Majesty's most dutiful and faithful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in Session assembled, approach Your Honour with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to His Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Honour's acceptance a Bill intituled, "An Act for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the Public Service of the financial year ending the 31st day of March, 1945."

To this Act the Royal Assent was announced by the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly in the following words:—

"The Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank His Majesty's dutiful and loyal Subjects, accept their benevolence and assent to this Bill in His Majesty's name."

His Honour was then pleased to deliver the following speech:—

Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly:

As your legislative duties are now ended for the present Session, I wish to express my appreciation of the services you rendered and to refer briefly to some of the measures with which you have dealt.

A new department of the public service, to be known as the Department of Planning and Development, has been constituted. It will be the function of the Minister presiding over this department to collaborate with the Ministers of the other departments of the public service in Ontario, with the Ministers in charge of the public service of the Dominion and of other provinces, with municipal councils, with Agricultural, Industrial, Labour, Mining, Trade and other associations and organizations and with public and private enterprises, with a view to formulating plans to create, assist, develop and maintain productive employment, and to develop the human and material resources of the province. The interest you have taken in this measure is an indication of the importance you attach to its functions. It shows your appreciation of the need for constructive planning in the years that lie immediately ahead.

Members of the Armed Forces have been given protection, in certain cases, against court and other proceedings during their period of service and during any period of treatment or rehabilitation after discharge. Provision has also been

made for protecting their life insurance policies during the same period. The Active Service Moratorium Act, which affords protection to members of the Armed Forces in respect of mortgage indebtedness, has been brought in line with the foregoing enactments. A further measure relating to the Armed Services is a provision for commissioned officers to take affidavits either within or without the province.

The setting up of Agricultural Committees in the various counties and districts of Ontario, which will be representative of all agricultural organizations in those areas will provide an opportunity for farmers themselves to organize their own production and marketing. Provision for the payment of an increased subsidy to the producers of sugar beets has been provided this year. Provision has also been made for the extension of The Cheese and Hog Subsidy Act until the end of March, 1945. A further measure which forms part of the plan to assist the farmers of Ontario in the marketing of their livestock is the Act creating an Ontario Stockyards Board. This Board will have the power to take over and operate stockyards. No new stockyard may in future be established without the approval of the Board.

A few weeks ago the Dominion Government adopted a Labour Relations Code applying to war industries. The steps you have taken to apply this code to all other industries in Ontario will effect uniformity of the labour laws in this province, and will facilitate their administration. The Act which you have passed provides for the establishment of an Ontario Labour Relations Board. This Act, together with an Act amending The Judicature Act, terminates the operation of the Ontario Labour Court but protects any certifications which have been made by the Court and any proceedings pending therein. Another measure you have placed on the statute books, The Rights of Labour Act, will preserve the status given to trade unions under the repealed statute.

A maximum working day of eight hours and a maximum working week of forty-eight hours is provided for in the Hours of Work and Holidays with Pay Act. Ample powers are given to the Industry and Labour Board for the effective carrying-out of the terms of this Act. Every employee in an industrial undertaking is assured by the same Act a holiday with pay of one week for every working year.

An agreement with the Dominion Government providing for increased allowances for old age pensioners and blind pensioners, which has been in effect since the first of November, 1943, has been confirmed by legislation.

The Ontario Forest Resources Commission has been created for the purpose of making the best use of our great forest resources. The Commission will promote research work, studies and investigations, having for their object the conservation, development and effective utilization of Crown forests. The Commission will also devote its attention to conservation, reforestation, as well as the development and marketing of forests products.

The various school Acts have been amended and provision has been made for the establishment of funds to be used later in payment of capital expenditures. The Teaching Profession Act confers upon school teachers a professional status.

As part of the Government's plan for more adequate medical and hospital care for the citizens of Ontario, provision has been made for municipalities to adopt plans for Municipal Health Services. An amendment to The Medical Act provides for the temporary registration of medical practitioners from outside of Ontario who may be resident in the province during the period of the war. This Act has also been further amended to allow regulations to be made recognizing specialists in various branches of medicine, surgery and midwifery.

Various measures have been enacted in which the municipalities of Ontario are directly interested. Municipalities in the future will be able to remunerate members of municipal councils on an annual basis. Legislation authorizing municipal pension plans has been amplified in order to place such plans on a more satisfactory basis. The Municipal Act has been amended to bring up to date provisions with regard to war veterans' homes, buildings, parks, war memorials or monuments commemorating the sacrifice of those who have served in the Armed Forces. Villages with a population in excess of five thousand have been authorized to constitute police commissions. Municipalities may enter into agreements with the Commissioner of Provincial Police for policing by members of the Provincial Police Force.

The Liquor Authority Control Act, 1944, constitutes the Liquor Authority Control Board of Ontario. This Board will operate separately from the Liquor Control Board of Ontario and will have sole jurisdiction over the issuance, suspension and revocation of authorities for the sale of beer and wine on hotel and similar premises.

The Power Commission Act has been amended to provide for the establishing of an Advisory Council, representative of the various groups of users of hydro-electric power throughout the province. An amendment to the Rural Power District Service Charge Act removes rural service charges.

You have given consideration to the appointment of Justices of the Peace, and hereafter such appointments will only be made when public convenience for the purposes of the administration of justice requires them. A new procedure for such appointments will insure the selection of capable persons only. Approval has also been given to the payment of allowances to magistrates who have been retired under legislation passed at a previous session, without provision ha ing been made for any retiring allowance.

The Highway Improvement Act has been extensively revised to bring it into conformity with the established practices of the Department. Legislation has also been enacted to provide for the building of roads in the Holland Marsh area under special conditions.

Numerous amendments have been made to The Factory, Shop and Office Building Act having for their object the improvement of working conditions. The Workmen's Compensation Act has also been amended to extend the scope of its jurisdiction to departments of the Provincial Government and other public bodies and to allow farmers, if they so desire, to bring their industry under Part I of the Act. Other amendments will facilitate the functioning of the Workmen's Compensation Board.

The Fire Departments Act has been amended to ensure the fair administration of the Two Platoon System. Amendments to the Fire Marshals Act will permit more effective investigation to determine the causes of fires.

The various Acts respecting the Guardianship of the Dionne Quintuplets have been replaced by an Act which vests the guardianship in their father, subject to supervision by the Official Guardian and the Supreme Court in accordance with established practices under certain circumstances.

The provision you have made for the central filing and publication of regulations which are made by Provincial Departments of the Public Service, Boards and Commissions is to be commended and will serve a useful purpose in making these regulations available in convenient form.

You have passed an Act which will make it possible to deal more effectively with gambling devices known as slot machines.

In conclusion, I wish to thank you for the financial provision you have made for carrying on the affairs of the province for another year, and I trust that under the guidance of Divine Providence the legislation you have enacted may be of lasting benefit to the people of this province.

The Provincial Secretary then said:—

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:—

It is the will and pleasure of the Honourable the Lieutenant-Governor that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued and this Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued.

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